

2016/17 UK & IRELAND ENVIRONMENTAL OVERVIEW

Accreditations and Participations

The breadth of Office Depot UK's environmental accreditations and participations demonstrate a genuine commitment to sustainability.



ISO 14001:2004

Office Depot has maintained an ISO 14001 certification in the UK & Ireland since 2002. Independent accreditors LRQA regularly audit the company's Environmental Management System to ensure compliance with the standard.



ISO 14064-1

As part of Office Depot's commitment to third party verification of its environmental data the annual UK & Ireland greenhouse gas footprint report is independently assured to ISO14064-1. Details of our footprint can be seen below.



Achilles

Achilles UVDB helps utility companies manage risk within their supply chain by assessing potential suppliers against health and safety, environment, quality assurance and social compliance criteria. In 2016 we scored 100%.



Furniture Industry Sustainability Programme

FISP demonstrates that a furniture manufacturer or reseller is taking its environmental and corporate social responsibility obligations seriously.



WWF Global Forest & Trade Network - UK

Office Depot, as a GFTN participant, is committed to a stepwise approach towards responsible purchasing and forestry practices which means: buying from legal and known sources, excluding controversial sources and aiming for credibly certified sources such as FSC.

Along with the other WWF UK-GFTN members, we have also taken the additional step of publishing our annual report together with details of our priorities and challenges enabling other companies to benchmark themselves and learn from our experiences. The report is available on our Office Depot and Viking Direct websites.



The mark of responsible forestry

Forest Stewardship Council®

Office Depot UK and Ireland are FSC® chain of custody certified.

Chain of Custody certification from forest to end-user ensures that FSC materials and products have been checked at every stage of processing so that customers purchasing FSC labelled products can be confident that they are genuinely FSC certified. FSC works to improve forest management worldwide, and through certification creates an incentive for forest owners and managers to follow best social and environmental practices.



Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification

PEFC is the world's leading forest certification organization. An international non-profit, non-governmental organization dedicated to promoting sustainable forest management.

As a supplier with both FSC and PEFC chain of custody certification, Office Depot offers a great choice of certified products that are easily identified in our catalogues and on-line.



Royal Warrants

Royal Warrants are a mark of recognition to companies that have demonstrated the highest standards of service and excellence. Office Depot is proud to hold two Warrants granted by HM The Queen and HRH The Prince of Wales.

The Warrant from HRH The Prince of Wales is only issued to organisations that can demonstrate a robust environmental policy and commitment to sustainability.

2016/17 Results

Product Claims

Across the European region we have over 10,000 skus with environmental claims. Approximately 4,000 of these products are ranged to the UK and Ireland with approximately 2,000 available in the 2017 Office Depot UK catalogue. This equates to 21% of the catalogue products carrying a verified claim. Of the 2,000 "green" catalogue products, 992 are own-brand.

	Number of products with environmental attributes		% of products with environmental attributes	
	OD Catalogue	Own-brand in OD Catalogue	OD Catalogue	% of own-brand in OD Catalogue
2015	1998	1003	20.66%	10.37%
2016	2020	984	21.39%	10.42%
2017	1983	992	21.38%	10.70%

The evidence required for an environmental product claim to be made is agreed with external consultants, Newleaf Sustainability Practice, who then independently verify the information provided by the suppliers before a claim is made to our customers. The details of the claims are documented in BMS Manual Annex ENVTs Product Claims Criteria.

Waste Management

Site Waste (Tonnes)	2015			2016		
	UK	IE	UK & IE	UK	IE	UK & IE
Total Waste	2933	187	3120	2284	154	2439
Total Recycled	2636	180	2817	1964	152	2116
Recycling %	90%	96%	90%	86%	99%	87%
Total Waste to Energy	296	6	303	320	2	323
Waste to Energy	10%	4%	10%	14%	1%	13%
Total Diverted from Landfill*	2933	187	3120	2284	154	2439
Landfill Diversion %	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

* excludes sanitary waste

- Zero waste to landfill was achieved for the third consecutive year.
- We recycled 87% of the waste generated, narrowly missing the 90% target. In 2017 we plan to send the general waste and mixed recycling from our head office facility to a mixed recycling facility (MRF) for pre-treatment, therefore separating more recyclate before the balance goes to waste to energy.

Empty Ink & Toner Cartridges Returned for Recycling / Remanufacture in 2016

UK & IE	Quantity Re-usable	Quantity Recovered	Total Quantity
Fusers	171	25	196
Inkjets	2,367	268	2,635
Ink tanks	1,634	2,519	4,153
Lasers	61,344	33,395	94,739
Waste	0	61,669	61,669
Total	65,516	97,876	163,392

Customers can return empty toner and inkjet cartridges to Office Depot for remanufacture or recycling rather than them ending up in landfill. Toner recycling boxes can be ordered using product code 5006610. When full a registered waste carrier will collect the box.

Energy Consumption

In 2016 82% of the electricity consumed by UK sites and 100% by the Dublin site was purchased on renewables tariffs.

Sites	Green Consumption		Brown Consumption	
	(kWh)	(%)	(kWh)	(%)
UK	7,912,040	82%	1,721,510	18%
Ireland	1,187,712	100%	-	-
Total	9,099,752	84%	1,721,510	16%

Details of our 2016 greenhouse gas footprint will be published once it has been independently assessed to ISO14064.

Water Consumption

Country	Consumption - Cubic Metres		
	2014	2015	2016
UK	13055	11708	13643
Ireland	3454	3754	3346
Total	16509	15462	16989