ROCKWOOL UK recycling service
A circular approach to construction
Circularity in construction

ROCKWOOL applies lifecycle thinking and the circular economy business approach to help reduce some of the environmental impacts of the built environment.

In a circular economy, waste is not waste, but a valuable resource that can be regenerated or repurposed and turned into something new.

As sustainability goals move into procurement requirements, circularity is becoming increasingly important in construction decisions, from the materials that are used to build developments to the on-site approach to waste.

In addition, there are multiple schemes that reward circular practice. For example, avoiding landfill and increasing recycling rates may improve your BREEAM score.

Recycling ROCKWOOL stone wool insulation also demonstrates your commitment to the objectives of the widely used ISO 14001 Environmental Management Systems standard, as well as contributing to UN Sustainable Development Goal 12 - responsible consumption and production.

ROCKWOOL recycling programme

ROCKWOOL stone wool insulation products are recyclable and we have invested to make sure recycling is a key part of our business. The dedicated recycling facility at our Bridgend plant means we are able to recycle ROCKWOOL stone wool insulation and help reduce the construction industry’s dependence on landfill. By recycling waste to transform it into new products, we also reduce the demand on virgin raw materials.

We are happy to recycle off-cuts of ROCKWOOL stone wool insulation if it is not mixed with other waste. You don’t have to remove facings that have been applied by ROCKWOOL, including aluminium foil, glass tissue, glass scrim and steel wire netting. We are unable to accept non-ROCKWOOL insulation or ROCKWOOL stone wool insulation contaminated with other waste matter and materials.

Waste sent to us can be packaged in the following ways:

- On a securely wrapped pallet
- In an alternative secure container (please note, material wrapped in plastic bags cannot be accepted)

Material for recycling should be transported by a carrier with a Waste Management Licence and a Waste Transfer Note for each consignment. Alternatively, please contact us to discuss options for arranging transportation.

If you have ROCKWOOL waste that you do not want to send to landfill, please contact us to discuss the recycling opportunities for your project.

Call 01656 868400 or email recycling@rockwool.co.uk