


Sustainability



How forward thinking companies are saving money while saving the world

Our Part

Panels

Every year \$1.5 billion in new Herman Miller® product is sold. Usually, the old furniture is sent to a landfill or storage and never made useful again. More energy is used, harmful emissions and waste created, and virgin materials consumed to produce new furniture. HMU remanufactures first life products and re-engineers them to look, feel, and function like new while using a small fraction of the energy and raw materials. Remanufactured workstations contribute to points in the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED™ Certification program.

Fabrics

More than 100 of our standard fabrics are Terratex® — beautifully made of 100% recycled materials and manufactured using increasingly sustainable processes. Technically superior, visually appealing, and competitively priced. All Terratex® fabrics meet or exceed industry standards for quality and performance and are completely recyclable. The use of Terratex® fabrics contributes to LEED™ points and fabrics certified through the Green-e program may earn additional points.

Paint

Our commitment to the environment extends beyond our product and into our philosophy. That is one of the reasons we use powder coat paint. Not only is powder coat paint free of harmful solvents and VOC's, but 100% of leftover paint is reclaimed.

Quick Facts

More than 98% of each panel is reused.

10 U.S. households could be powered for an entire day by the energy saved by remanufacturing just 1 workstation.

3 U.S. households could be powered for an entire year by the energy saved by remanufacturing 100 workstations.

The 50 million pounds of recycled materials used in Terratex® fabrics saves an amount of energy equivalent to 484,150 barrels of oil.

The use of recycled material in Terratex® saved 74 million gallons of water.

Remanufacturing can conserve more raw materials and energy than any other form of recycling.

Globally remanufacturing saves an amount of energy equal to 350 tankers of crude oil.