

Reuse...

The Fairmont Hotel Vancouver reduced cardboard waste by approximately 75% by receiving poultry, seafood, and bread in reusable food totes.

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Reusing materials gives resources a new life, while reducing the pollution and energy that comes with the manufacturing and recycling of new products. By reusing materials your business can save money by not having to buy as many new items, and by not having to pay to dispose of as many old items.



Here are some ways you can easily reuse materials around your work place:

- Use non-disposable products - keep your office kitchen stocked with cutlery, dishes and coffee mugs, and use durable towels, tablecloths, and napkins
- Invest in rechargeable batteries and battery chargers for digital cameras, flashlights, and other small electronic devices
- Route or circulate memos, periodicals and reports, rather than distributing individual copies
- Use remanufactured office equipment
- Rather than purchase new office supplies, save old file folders and binders that can be relabelled and reused
- Request that deliveries be shipped in returnable containers
- Buy durable, reusable, high-quality supplies - such as reusable toner cartridges, rechargeable batteries or refillable pens. These products will last longer and help delay replacement and disposal costs



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