



Green Office Program: 2008

Welcome back to the Green Office Program! 2008 is set to be a great year with some new members joining the program and some fun activities planned. The Green Office Program now has 55 areas involved and 67 Green Office Representatives across 3 campuses. Check the 'coming events' section to see how you can get involved and how to get other staff members involved too!

Recycled Content Paper



Purchasing recycled content paper such as Australian 80% is better for the Environment than using paper with no or little recycled content. The quality is of a high standard and there is no difference in colour from non recycled paper. The table summarises the recycled content paper available from the UQ Central Store. For full details see the store catalogue at <http://www.pf.uq.edu.au/StoresCatalog.html>

40230	PAPER COPY A4 WHITE - RECYCLED 10% - Australian [Aus]	Box	\$24.10
40221	PAPER COPY A4 WHITE - RECYCLED 100% - Evolve [UK]	Box	\$25.90
40235	PAPER COPY A4 WHITE - RECYCLED 50% - Reflex [Aus]	Box	\$28.83
40239	PAPER COPY A4 WHITE - RECYCLED 80% - Australian [Aus]	Box	\$26.04
40240	PAPER COPY A4 WHITE - RECYCLED 60% - Fuji Xerox	Box	\$27.99

Clean Up Australia Day



Every year hundreds of thousands of Australians get stuck in and clean up their local environment by collecting and removing rubbish on

Clean Up Australia Day, which is being held this year on Sunday 2nd March. There is also an opportunity for businesses to be involved through 'Business Clean Up Day'. Head to the website for more details on how you can get involved and really make a difference to the environment. www.cleanup.com.au

Biodegradable Products



Biodegradable plate's cups and cutlery are made from materials such as corn starch which breaks down in land fill. When plastic products end up in land fill they do not break down and can cause significant impacts for the environment. The principal

environmental concerns associated with modern landfills are **emissions of greenhouse gases**, particularly methane (landfill gas) and the possible **long-term leakage** into the environment through leachate. See www.greenpack.com.au for more information about biodegradable products made from materials such as sugar cane fibre and palm leaf.

National Recycling Week

National Recycling week was held across Australia between 5th-11th November 2007. UQ staff were involved through a site tour of Visy paper and cardboard recycling facility. Green Office representatives visited the site where they learnt first hand how co-mingled recyclables are sorted and then how paper and cardboard is recycled.



Coming Events

- Green Office update session including assessment refresher training for existing Reps. Tues 26 February 2pm, P&F meeting rooms 1& 2 (Bldg 97) Services Road, St Lucia Campus.
- Green Office information and training session for new Reps. Tues 26 February 3pm, P&F meeting rooms 1& 2 (Bldg 97) Services Road, St Lucia Campus.

If you have any suggestions, feedback or questions please contact us at the details below.



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