

# Swish ISO 14001 Environmental Management Certification

Swish Building Products achieved ISO 14001 Environmental Management Certification in 2007. Since that time Swish has continuously improved the environmental performance of its manufacturing and distribution operations.

To achieve certification Swish focused on reducing its consumption of electricity, water and heater fuel. Ambitious targets were also set to cut waste sent to landfill and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from delivery vehicles.

## Electricity

A full energy management plan is in place to monitor all major electrical equipment to identify inefficient or defective machinery for replacement or servicing. New low energy cooling, lighting and pumping systems are now in use.

## Water

All factory water usage is monitored to identify opportunities for reductions. Leakage and cistern capacities are now significantly reduced.

## Heater Fuel

Simple reduction measures are in place including employee awareness training, reducing numbers of heaters in unnecessary places, closing windows, shutting down heaters when not required, regular servicing and turning down the level of heat output overall.

## Landfill

All factory waste streams have been identified and are captured and processed as appropriate. All production scrap, start-up scrap, saw dust from inline saws, misshapen or damaged boards are ground up and recycled back into production. All other waste streams, including all office waste paper, are removed and reprocessed by specialist recyclers.

## Vehicle CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

Vehicle fleet is Euro4 compliant and fitted with air management kits to reduce drag. Optimised vehicle servicing, load planning and vehicle routing contribute towards fuel efficiency and reduced CO<sub>2</sub> output.



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