

OFGO Waste Reduction Program

To address growing concerns about solid and hazardous waste, OFGO has developed a program to reduce waste in all facets of its business operations. OFGO's waste reduction program is based on the following philosophy:

"Wherever achievable, the fabrication of hazardous waste shall be reduced or eliminated. Generated waste shall be reduced at the source, as well as recovered, reused, and recycled, anytime possible. Waste reduction shall be treated as a process of continuous improvement in order to minimize any present or future threat to human and environmental health. "

OFGO's Waste Reduction Program consists of the following areas:

- Reducing Waste at the Source
- Reusing & Recycling
- Buying Smart
- Getting Everyone Involved
- Audits & Tracking

Reducing Waste at the Source

Goal: Reduce the amount of waste material exiting a process.

Initiatives:

- Using equipment that produces less waste.
- Modifying procedures and processes to minimize waste.
- Reformulating and redesigning products to minimize waste.
- Substituting raw materials to minimize waste.
- Ensuring efficient packaging.

Reusing & Recycling

Goal: Increase the reuse and reclamation of waste material.

Initiatives:

- Purchasing materials with recycled content; identifying pre-consumer and post-consumer recycled content levels.
- Purchasing materials with end-of-life recyclability.

Buying Smart

Goal: Purchase environmentally preferred raw materials.

Initiatives:

- Purchasing raw materials that do not contribute to a harmful waste stream.
- Purchasing environmentally preferred products that, wherever possible, comprise of recycled materials and have end-of-life recyclability.
- Monitoring suppliers to confirm raw materials' stated recycled content levels and the absence of hazardous contaminants.

Getting Everyone Involved

Goal: Increase employee involvement and training.

Initiatives:

- Sharing ideas for reducing waste streams throughout the organization.
- Training employees in waste reduction procedures.
- Organizational commitment to reducing waste.

Audits & Tracking

Goal: Ensure the fulfillment of waste reduction goals.

Initiatives:

- Auditing implementation of waste reduction procedures to ensure effectiveness.
- Identifying and profiling waste streams to target the application of source reduction and recycling programs.
- Tracking waste to ensure waste does not rise above necessary levels.