

The RightCycle™ Programme Frequently Asked Questions

Q1 What is The RightCycle Programme?

The RightCycle Programme is the first manufacturer-led recycling programme for non-hazardous PPE including single-use, mechanical, life sciences and chemical gloves and apparel.

This groundbreaking service transforms these used items into new consumer goods such as garden furniture, benches and bicycle racks.

Q2 Is The RightCycle Programme available in all European countries?

The programme is available for new customers in the United Kingdom, Ireland, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland.*

*Existing RightCycle programme customers outside of these regions continue to be supported.

Q3 How does the RightCycle recycling service work?

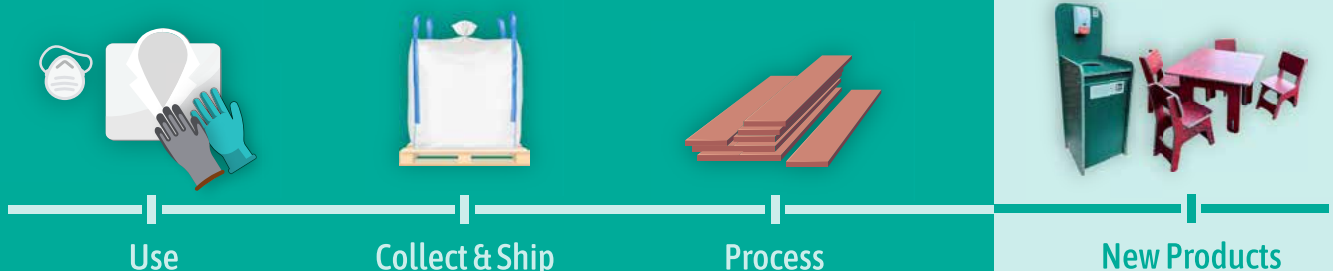
Customers collect qualifying items in their facilities. These are then shipped in bulk bags on pallets to our recycling partners using the customer's preferred carrier. ([See additional information about collection and shipping in our separate shipping FAQ.](#))

The used products are converted into plastic pellets that are used to produce new consumer goods.

Q4 How can I ensure a successful implementation in my facility?

Implementation is easy! Your Ansell sales consultant can help by accompanying you on a site walk to review your waste streams and advise you on the best places and ways to collect waste for the programme. Our programme coordinator can also walk you through the process and answer any questions that you may have.

How it Works...



Q5 Can I use my own boxes if I want to?

Yes. To be more sustainable, we encourage customers to use boxes or containers that are already available. We can provide labels, free of charge, to help identify the collection bins.

Please note: These boxes can only be used to collect used products. They are not to be used for shipping.

A few recommendations:

- Find new uses for old bins or cardboard boxes by turning them into “collection bins” for your used gloves/apparel.
- Make sure your collection bin is easily accessible for anyone who will be dropping off their used gloves/apparel.

Tell your team about The RightCycle Programme! More colleagues knowing that they can drop off their used gloves/apparel will result in more used gloves/apparel being recycled. For example, send an email telling people where they can drop off their used gloves/apparel.

Q6 How can I make sure that my colleagues know where and how to dispose of their gloves or apparel?

Please ask your Ansell representative for our bright, well-designed labels and posters that can be put on your boxes to identify them as receptacles for used apparel and gloves.

Communicate to your colleagues about the programme and what can and cannot be collected in the provided boxes.

Q7 Can I create co-branded material with RightCycle on it?

We can help you create customised posters if you do not have internal capabilities to do this on your own. If you create your own material, Ansell must approve any designs that mention The RightCycle Programme before they are released.



Q8 Can I collect different types of PPE in a single collection box?

No. Product types must be segregated (mechanical gloves, single-use gloves, coveralls, etc.)

Q9 Why do I have to dispose of used gloves and apparel in separate bulk bags?

When the bulk bags of used gloves and apparel are shipped to Ansell's landfill diversion partner, they are processed via separate recycling lines.

Q10 What products are eligible for The RightCycle Programme?

Non hazardous single-use, mechanical, life sciences and chemical gloves and apparel.

Q11 What does Ansell charge for The RightCycle Programme?

We ask customers to pay for bulk collection bags and the freight costs from their operating location to the Ansell landfill diversion partner material recovery facility. Ansell will pay for storage and recycling costs which constitute the majority of the programme costs.



WHY SHOULD I RECYCLE THROUGH THE RIGHTCYCLE PROGRAMME?

Q15 How is The RightCycle Programme making a difference to the end of use of Ansell products?

There are two “linear solutions” that exist for ‘non-recyclable’ waste like nitrile gloves and disposable (single-use) apparel: landfilling or incineration (sometimes positioned as “waste-to-energy”). Both methods mean that the resources put into the gloves and apparel are lost.

Ansell’s landfill diversion partner does not landfill the nitrile gloves and apparel collected through The RightCycle Programme, nor does it ever incinerate them. Instead, we focus on a “circular solution” where the lifespan of the nitrile gloves and apparels is extended by recycling them to make other products.

Q16 Where will the gloves/apparel be recycled?

Ansell’s landfill diversion partner has local MRF in every country they operate in. When sufficient volumes have been collected, they will recycle with one of their several recycling partners across Europe, always striving to recycle as locally as possible.

Q17 How does Ansell’s landfill diversion partner recycle nitrile gloves?

The received nitrile gloves are shredded, washed, and then extruded to pellet form. The pellets can be reused for rubber flooring applications such as tiles, carpet underlay or as ground cover for athletic fields and tracks, and can be used in a mix of polymers to make a wide range of plastic products such as outdoor furniture (planters, tables, benches etc.).



Q18 How does Ansell’s landfill diversion partner recycle apparel?

Apparel are first size-reduced through a shredder, then the metals are sorted out via a magnet or eddy current separator. Metals are then sent to a smelting company to be turned into ingot and then be reused. Plastic is then washed, extruded into pellets, and then reused to manufacture new products such as outdoor equipment or as a plasticizer with other Polypropylene.