

## Sustainability - Zero Waste



The UK's leading manufacturer of wire mesh cable tray, Marco Cable Management, has announced plans to introduce a zero waste initiative for all internal and external operations.

As part of the initiative, electrical contractors that are retro-fitting a building and using a Marco trunking product, are encouraged to return the old UPVC trunking (regardless of the original manufacturer) to Marco for recycling and re-processing into good production.

Ian MacGregor of Marco said: "We recognise that we can extend our sustainability policy beyond our own business and re-use some of the refurbishment waste, re-processing the material to manufacture other products of the highest possible standards".



"There are also benefits to the contractor and site management company, who, by being part of the scheme, are supporting their bid to achieve a high BREEAM rating or other accreditations."

During seven years of continued and sustained growth, Marco has developed a system whereby almost zero% of all raw materials purchased end up in land fill. For example, the company regrinds any below-par production and re-cycles the material.

In terms of Steel Wire Cable Tray, any scrap produced, (of which there is very little) is sold locally for reprocessing. Marco production is UK based, reducing the 'product-miles' and carbon footprint – the company estimate that Marco trays travel at least 300 miles less than the trays of its competitors.

Ian MacGregor added: "With the ability to form angles, tees, risers and other items on site, the environmental impact of using wire mesh cable tray, compared to using traditional trays is significant as the reduction in the number of components needed can be breath-taking, especially when the installer considers the additional financial and environmental costs of ordering, transporting, storing, and using those additional components."