



Environmental Statement



As a manufacturer of seating and casegoods, each of us at Borgo understands our responsibility to continuously seek new technology, source progressive materials and develop better processes for producing our products and reducing our footprint on the earth. We are making the effort, and that footprint is getting smaller and smaller.

Some of the areas in which we have made notable progress are:

Fabrics and Leathers

In our upholstery process, all waste is recycled into decking for chair and sofa seats, except for leather scraps which are sold to a recycler for use in other products.

Seating Foam

Only CFC and HCFC Free foams are used in our products. All foam waste is returned to our supplier to be recycled into carpet underlay.

Local Sourcing

Borgo has strategically positioned its manufacturing facilities so that key resources are easily accessed. Fully 80% of our suppliers are within a 50 kilometer radius. This minimizes the fuel and energy necessary to transport these goods to us.

Packaging

Improving our packaging methods is possibly the most significant way we reduce our impact on the environment. All Borgo packaging is composed of recycled materials. All reusable cardboard is used within our factory and any waste cardboard is recycled by a service and turned into other products.

Hardwood Lumbers and Veneers

All of our wood materials come from areas in Canada and the United States that maintain the

practice of sustained forest management. The practice of harvesting sustainably grown timber in North America has increased the size of hardwood forests, with more trees being planted every year.

Finishing and Chemical Material

All of this waste is sent to a waste management firm for reprocessing. Internal solvent emissions are tested regularly for compliance with Ministry of the Environment standards.

Delivery and Installation

Borgo encourages the option of blanket wrapping for all our products to significantly reduce the use of packaging material.

Printed Materials

Internal and external materials including marketing brochures, office forms, and envelopes are printed on recycled paper. All efforts are made to minimize the amount of paper used by exchanging hard copies for soft. When the use of paper is necessary in the offices and plant, it is recycled through a local recycling program. This program also includes glass, aluminum cans and newsprint.

Electricity

Borgo has set an internal limit on kilowatt usage. We have achieved this by making sure lights are turned off when not needed, maximizing natural light, and installing timers on the heating system.

The Numbers

Overall, over 95% of the waste produced in our factories is now being recycled. The amount of waste being sent to the local landfill has been reduced by over 70%. And we are continuously working to improve these numbers.