

DURLUM GmbH – "End of Life Cycle" Policy for Recycling Steel/Aluminium Ceiling Products

DURLUM GmbH are committed to sustainability and environmental responsibility. As part of our dedication to reducing our ecological footprint, we have formulated the "End of Life Cycle Policy for Recycling the DURLUM steel/aluminium Ceiling." This policy outlines our approach to managing both steel/aluminium ceiling products at the end of their lifecycle, ensuring their responsible disposal and recycling to contribute to a circular economy and minimize waste generation.

1. Objectives

The primary objectives of the End of Life Cycle Policy are as follows:

Environmental Preservation: Ensure that end-of-life steel/aluminium ceiling products are disposed of responsibly to minimize their impact on the environment and avoiding landfill waste.

Resource Conservation: Promote the recovery and recycling of valuable materials present in steel/aluminium ceiling components to conserve natural resources.

Circular Economy: Facilitate the integration of recycled materials back into our production processes at OEM stage or by working with our regional partners to facilitate local recycle processing with approved operators/recycling companies thereby closing the loop and supporting the circular economy.

Compliance and Regulations: Adhere to all relevant environmental regulations and industry standards regarding the disposal and recycling of steel/aluminium products.

2. Recycling Process

In conjunction with our regional partners we will work with our customers to take back all DURLUM manufactured steel/aluminium ceiling components at the end of their lifecycle, these will be collected and managed through a well-defined recycling process:

Collection: The steel/aluminium ceiling components can be retrieved at end-of-life from various sources, including re-furbishment projects, demolitions, and customer returns.

Sorting: The collected steel/aluminium ceiling components can be sorted to remove any non-steel/aluminium components and contaminants.

Processing: The sorted steel/aluminium ceiling components can be dropped off to steel/aluminium recycle company to recover the steel/aluminium materials efficiently.

Recovery: The recovered steel/aluminium will be transformed into reusable materials or semi-finished products.

Integration: The recycled steel/aluminium can be integrated back into our production processes to manufacture sustainable and environmentally friendly products if required and/or we can work with our regional partners to co-ordinate local processing thus minimizing any further environmental impact associated with freight/transport.

3. Awareness and Training

To ensure the successful implementation of this policy, we will conduct regular training and awareness programs for our employees, suppliers, and stakeholders. These programs will educate participants about the importance of recycling, the proper handling of end-of-life steel/aluminium ceiling components, and the environmental benefits of responsible disposal.

4. Compliance and Reporting

DURLUM will regularly monitor and evaluate the progress of this policy to ensure compliance with its objectives. Additionally, we will keep transparent records of our recycling efforts, documenting the quantities of steel/aluminium ceiling components collected, recycled, and reintegrated into production.

5. Collaboration

We recognize that effective recycling and sustainability efforts require collaboration with stakeholders and partners. As such, we will actively seek partnerships with recycling organizations, waste management companies, and other industry players to enhance our recycling capabilities and extend the lifespan of steel/aluminium ceiling components.

Conclusion

DURLUM GmbH is committed to being a responsible corporate organisation by adopting sustainable practices in all aspects of our business. Our "End of Life Cycle Policy for Recycling DURLUM Steel/Aluminium Ceiling Products" reflects our dedication to environmental preservation, resource conservation, and the promotion of a circular economy. By working together with our stakeholders, we aim to set an example for the industry and contribute to a greener, more sustainable future.

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SECTION 3: SPECIAL NOTES

- 1) The customer or tenant <organisation name> shall bear the full costs of any activity associated with de-installation, collection and removal of products as specified in Sections 1 and 2.
- 2) Standard labour rates (of the day) will be applied/charged to any activity specified in Section 2 and undertaken by <company> in order to deliver the client sanctioned product stewardship service(s).
- 3) The customer or tenant <organisation name> will be responsible for the safe removal of all power, data and communications cables/wiring prior to <company> de-installing any products subject to product stewardship services specified in Section 2. The customer/tenant <organisation name> shall bear the costs associated with undertaking such work.

- 4) Any and all proceeds arising from any of the product stewardship services specified in Section 2 remain under the control of <Company>.
- 5) Subject to agreement in writing by all parties, cost attribution other than that noted above can be negotiated between <company> and the customer/tenant <organisation/customer name>.
- 6) The donation of product to socially oriented or community based organisation must be conditional upon acceptance of these products by these organisations prior to the implementation of this contract.

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