

# Cartridge Recycling Factsheet



When it comes to disposing of everyday household recyclables such as paper, cardboard and plastic bottles, more than 90 per cent of Australians are getting it right, but when it comes to recycling e-waste items such as printer cartridges, almost an estimated 50 per cent of people are getting it wrong.

A recent study of 1,000 people found that 33 per cent throw their used printer cartridges in the general waste bin and a further 14 per cent place them in their council-provided recycling bin. It is encouraging that the vast majority of people are correctly recycling everyday household rubbish, but with e-waste now the fastest growing waste type, we can't allow e-waste recycling practices to lag behind others.

In addition to this, contamination is one of the biggest problems in recycling. When the wrong items are placed in a recycling bin it reduces the effectiveness of the entire recycling process.

Support the environment and help Planet Ark to increase printer cartridge recycling practices. Always dispose of your used printer cartridges correctly or register your workplace for a collection box.

## What happens when you recycle your

**CARTRIDGES 4**  
**PLANET ARK**



Becomes  
cans and  
other items



Used in  
TonerPave™  
& TonerPlas™  
asphalt



Made into  
90% recycled  
EnviroLiner pens  
and recycled ink



Becomes pens,  
new cartridges  
and other plastic  
products



Made into  
eWood



Becomes  
fridges and  
other items

**CARTRIDGES 4**  
**PLANET ARK**



**COOL**  
**ORG**