



RECYCLE TEXTILES AT YOUR SCHOOL

If your school is eager to recycle unwearable textiles, consider contacting the following services for more information. Remember waste avoidance is always best! Look for ways to reuse, repair and repurpose before recycling. Please note, all costs associated with the collection and recycling will be incurred by your school.

* WHAT DO THEY COLLECT

* WHERE DOES IT GO?

* WHAT IS REQUIRED FROM OUR SCHOOL?

* CONTACT DETAILS

SCR GROUP

- Via a clothing hub they collect wearable* and unwearable*, non-uniform textiles.
- Via a collection drive they collect unwearable end of life branded uniforms.

- Sorted in Malaysia and then
 - Resold at charities in AU and around the world
 - Recycled into rags and insulation
 - Burned for energy

- Space for the clothing hub
- Organise the clothing drive
- SCR will pay the school \$0.10KG for the textile collected in the clothing hub
- Educational materials are provided for distribution

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UPCYCLE 4 BETTER

- Wearable and unwearable non-uniform textiles
- Accessories, shoes
- Unwearable or retired uniforms ONLY if there is a regular stream for collection

- Resold through their 1-World AU Charity shops
- Repaired and resold in Malaysia
- Recycled into woven home goods
- Upcycled into fashion items
- Repurposed into industrial cloths for AU
- Shoes used for rubber flooring
- Residual waste mixed into cement

- Space for 2x 240L bin
- No collection fee up to once weekly.
- U4B will pay schools \$0.10KG for non-uniforms.
- Free educational talk
- Upcycled procurement catalogue for partner schools (pencil cases, bags, lunch bags, reading mats etc.)

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UPPAREL

- Wearable and unwearable non-uniforms
- New and used uniforms

- Collected and sorted in Australia
 - Collected by AU and NZ charities
 - Recycled in AU and turned into fibres for pillows, insulation, furniture and more
 - Upparel guarantees nothing is sent offshore or to landfill

- Package clothing and send to Upparel via post
- Charge according to weight between \$3 - \$4 / KG

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How was this information collected? Waverley Council contacted known service providers for information on the collection and recycling of unwearable uniform and non-uniform textiles at schools. We received five responses and deemed three as suitable options for Waverley schools.

Next steps for your school. Prior to engaging one of the above service providers, we recommend that a school undertakes their own research as well as obtain a quote to ensure the price and specific method of collection and recycling is suitable for your school.

*Determine whether an item is wearable or unwearable by asking yourself, would I give this item to a friend? If you would then it is considered 'wearable'. If it is too damaged or stained consider this 'unwearable' and suitable for recycling.