

# gen2 Sustainability Statement

## Reduced, Reused and Recycled:

Our aggressive, sustainable practices put the planet first.

## Responsible Printing

Printed on uncoated paper with a high percentage of PCW, sourced from well managed forests located in North America or Europe and certified by one of the three major organizations who follow the trees, pulp and paper through the entire chain of custody. Some are certified by all three.

The ink used is 30% vegetable oil and a minimum of 55% bio-derived renewable and sustainable raw materials. It is formulated without petroleum ink solvent and has extremely low levels of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) making it an environmentally friendly choice. Water-based aqueous coatings make our printed products 100% biodegradable.

## Sustainable Product Option

gen2 Avenir Panels may consist of post-consumer materials that would otherwise be discarded and sent to a landfill. Materials that do not meet our strict quality standards are sent to be recycled.

## Sustainable Fabric Option

We do offer our customers fabric options from Terratex that are 100% recycled or bio-based materials that are completely recyclable. Customers are also able to specify Sierra Pine Arreis SDF which is formaldehyde free and made from 100% recycled wood.

## Buyback Program

National Office, manufacturer of gen2 Office Furniture, does offer a buyback program should your furniture needs change. Panels and other metal components may be accepted depending on the product mix, quantities and locations. After the buyback, components are either reused, recycled or sold again as "as-is" product.

## Powder-Coat

National Office is very proud of the investment made in our state of the art powder coat process. Unlike liquid paint, no solvents are used and only negligible amounts of harmful VOCs are released.

## Packaging

National Office uses paper-based packaging for all of our products for 100% recyclable packaging.

## Work Environment

National Office is engaged in a process to revamp our facilities and make them more energy efficient. We utilize energy efficient lighting in our locations, and all lights and desk monitors are turned off when not in use.

We have made great strides towards going completely paperless by sending and receiving payments, orders and invoices electronically. We utilize this electronic system to process and manage our customer's product.

*Contact us for more information about our products, processes, or using our furniture in LEED projects.*