

Ceiling Recycling Requirements

Return Method: Container



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What ceiling tiles can be recycled in containers?

ACCEPTABLE FOR CONTAINER RECYCLING:

1. All brands of pulpable mineral fiber ceiling panels or tiles.
2. All metal splines must be removed from tiles.
3. Container contains only loose ceiling tiles.

NON-ACCEPTABLE FOR CONTAINER RECYCLING:

- Asbestos-containing ceiling tiles.
- Ceiling tiles installed below friable asbestos or contaminated with any other hazardous material (i.e., asbestos, lead, cadmium, PCBs).
- Red- or pink-backed ceiling tiles.
- Roll-offs which contain debris.
- Wet, moldy, or weathered ceiling tiles.
- Ceiling tiles with glue or adhesive.
- Ceiling tiles with visible wood pulp.
- Ceiling tiles with paint not applied by manufacturer.
- Ceiling tiles with dark or metallic paints.
- Gypsum ceiling or board.
- Fiberglass ceiling tiles.
- Any vinyl-faced ceiling tile.
- Fabric or scrim-faced ceiling tiles.
- Foil-backed ceiling tiles.
- Armstrong Ceramaguard®.
- Armstrong Artran® (cardboard-like face).
- Cast ceiling panels (with or without foil)

How should the used tiles be packaged for shipment?

- Material must be clean, dry, and in the listed acceptable category and contain only loose ceiling tiles.
- No wood, metal, construction debris, trash, or hazardous materials of any kind can be included. If C&D waste is included with ceilings, possible charges can be incurred for disposal. Contractors should police what is placed in the covered container.
- Material should be placed in an appropriate collection container. Material must stay dry and should not be loaded above the top of the container.
- Container should be labeled in English and Spanish, "Acoustical Ceiling Tile Only – No Trash." "Solamente Plafones Acústicos de Techo – No desperdicio." 24" x 32" x 3/4" sign board at a minimum should be used.
- Material should be placed on tip floor and inspected for wood, metal, construction debris, trash, or hazardous materials. All debris must be removed before bailing.
- Bale size should be (50" L x 48" W x 48" H).
- Weight can be 800 to 1500 lbs.
- Wires should be minimal (4 to 5).
- Bales should be stretch wrapped to avoid material spillage.
- A return authorization label is required on each bale. Labels are issued by the Armstrong Recycling Center.
- If you have special loading or removal circumstances, please contact the Armstrong Recycling Center or your local C&D partner. We will be as flexible as possible to accommodate your project needs. We also accept palletized tiles directly as an option.

Where should the used ceiling tiles be sent?

Project registration, material approval, and verification are required prior to accepting any material.

Materials should be sent to an Armstrong approved construction and demolition waste processor or recycle center.

For a local list of approved C&D processors, call Armstrong Ceilings at 1-877-276-7876, option 1, then 4, email us at ceiling_recycling@armstrongceilings.com, or visit armstrongceilings.com/recycling.

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