



ASL Takeback Programme



At Autex Acoustics®, we support circularity in the Australian construction sector and are on an ever-evolving sustainability journey. We gladly accept our Acoustic Soffit Liner (ASL) off-cuts and product at the end of its useful life.

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- Autex Acoustics long term vision is that all products sold have a full closed loop lifecycle and have tangible local and sustainable recycling options. For this to be achieved all key stakeholders in the process need to engage in their part to ensure successful recycling outcomes.
- Autex Acoustics is initially running a pilot Takeback Programme that relates to our Acoustic Soffit Lining (ASL) product only, where we will take back both uncontaminated site install off-cuts and uncontaminated product at the end of its installed life cycle. Uncontaminated means free of any foreign material including saw dust, metal shavings, adhesives etc.
- Autex Acoustics will take these returned off-cuts and products, recycling them into new acoustic linings as well as pursuing other sustainable recycling processes when required. Our intention is that 100% of the product that gets returned will be recycled.
- Initially, the return location for this programme will be metro Melbourne, however we are actively resolving local return locations and recycling solutions in each major Australian capital city.

How to participate in the Takeback Programme

- To ensure returned material can be recycled, the Takeback Programme requires all material to be uncontaminated.
- It also requires engagement with your project stakeholders via tender and contract documentation, so they are aware of your intention to recycle.

Takeback specification guideline

New installations

- Site installation off-cuts and unused material takeback
 - Please write detail into the project specification and finishes schedule for allowance made by the tendering installing contractors. Example detail which can be copied onto specification noted below.
 - *The installing contractor is to allow for and return all uncontaminated ASL site installation offcuts and excess panels to Autex Acoustics in line with their takeback policy.*

Demolition

- End of life product takeback
 - Please write detail into the project specification and demolition schedule for allowance made by the tendering demolition contractors.
 - *The demolition contractor is to allow for the controlled removal and return of all uncontaminated ASL to Autex Acoustics in line with their takeback policy.*



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Takeback Programme Contractor return form

Required return information

Project Name	
Architect	
Contractor (returning)	
Contact person	
Product type	
thickness	
colour	
Quantity	
Expected return date	

Please review the Takeback Programme return approval process and terms and conditions outlined on the following pages.



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Contractor return process

Return approval process

- In order to assess the suitability of a proposed return of product under this policy, Autex Acoustics needs to understand the material that you propose to send.
- For Acoustic Soffit Liner (ASL) to be returned, an Autex return form must first be completed and returned to sales@autex.com.au for authorisation. Please include photos of the product to be returned with the completed form. We may request further particulars if necessary. Autex Acoustic's Takeback Programme is specifically limited to uncontaminated offcuts and uncontaminated end-of-life ASL only.
- Once the return is approved, an Autex Takeback Authorisation (ATA) number will be issued. The relevant ATA number and return form must accompany the returned material. No return of materials will be accepted if an ATA number has not previously been issued.
- The shipping of returned materials is the sole responsibility of and at the sole risk of the party returning the materials. Autex Acoustics accepts no liability in relation to the shipment of any material. Returned materials must be loaded on a single or double pallet. Pallets are available from Autex Acoustics at a cost of \$125.00 ex GST each plus freight if required.
- Autex Acoustics will provide the relevant metro Melbourne shipping address once the product is approved for return. The return address may vary depending on the most suitable recycling option at that time. For large return volumes a return schedule will need to be agreed to ensure positive recycling outcomes are reached. We will advise you accordingly.



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Takeback Programme Terms and conditions

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- Autex Acoustics will endeavour to recycle 100% of the product returned as part of this Takeback Programme and will select the most suitable recycling method at the time of return. The choice of recycling method is at our sole discretion.
- Autex Accoustics will only accept that part of returned materials that is recyclable. Autex Acoustics relies on parties to make genuine effort to return only recyclable material that is uncontaminated.
- Uncontaminated means free of any foreign material including saw dust, metal shavings, adhesives etc.
- For product that is returned contaminated, that cannot be recycled, this will be sent to waste with the associated disposal costs to be invoiced to the returning contractor including a \$500.00 administration fee. By submitting an Autex return form,, you acknowledge and agree that Autex Accoustics may invoice you in respect of such disposal costs and administration fees and undertake to pay such amounts to Autex Accoustics in accordance with our standard payment terms.
- Although Autex Accoustics will make every endeavour to accept all suitable materials proposed for return under this policy, we reserve the right to accept or decline (in our absolute discretion and for any reason or for no reason) any proposed return of materials.
- Autex Accoustics will only accept returns of material under this policy within Australia.

Disclaimer: This policy is a statement of intent only and is not binding on Autex Accoustics. We are not bound to accept a return of any materials unless we have issued an ATA number and the returned materials are consistent with this Takeback Policy. Autex Accoustics may amend this policy from time to time and may withdraw this policy at any time. Unless expressly stated to the contrary, this Takeback Policy does not form a part of any contract or agreement with you or any other party and cannot be relied on as such.

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