

Waste Management Instructions

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Introduction:

Festo has committed itself to protecting the environment. The company's commitment includes the disposal of individual products after use, as well as their respective packaging. This is generally feasible as

- Festo products and their packaging constitute "non-hazardous waste" and
- established recycling processes are available worldwide for this type of waste.

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1. Products

The following table provides an overview of the Festo product categories and their respective disposal methods. These classifications incorporate modern shredder and sorting technologies, which generally negate the need for manual dismantling.

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A	Products with a significant metal content and either no or only minor electronic content	Metal recycling in accordance with applicable national law
B	Products with a significant plastic content and either no or only minor electronic content	Plastic recycling in accordance with applicable national law
C	Products containing oil (e.g. lubricators, filters, shock absorbers, oil brake cylinders)	Prior to disposing of the product as stated under A or B, the oil must first be removed and disposed of separately in accordance with applicable national law
D	Products with significant electronic content	Electronic scrap recycling in accordance with applicable national law
E	Electronic products containing batteries required for operation (e.g. controller, sensor tester)	Prior to electronic scrap recycling of the product as stated under D, the batteries must be removed and disposed of separately in accordance with national applicable law

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2. Packaging material

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All Festo products have packaging to prevent them from being damaged during transportation and storage. However, Festo endeavours to limit the amount of packaging as much as possible. The materials predominantly used for packaging are cardboard and PE film. Recycling processes have been introduced worldwide for both of these materials and in many cases they can also be sold, thus generating extra revenue.

Polyurethane foam is used on a small scale in order to cushion particularly delicate products. In these cases, the foam is cut so that it precisely fits the product. This material can be used for energy recovery or disposed of as standard commercial waste.

When making free deliveries, and if the customer so wishes, Festo will take back all the packaging free of charge and dispose of it in accordance with the relevant regulations.