



Our Environment



As a family business, we take our relationship with the environment very seriously.

Whether it be the extensive planting of native flora on our major sites, the use of world class energy-efficient lighting and equipment in our plants, or even the use of reusable packaging. We are continually looking at ways to minimise our impact on the environment. As part of our selection process, major suppliers of raw materials must demonstrate environmental responsibility in the production of their products. This is particularly emphasised for our paper suppliers.

Envelopes by Candida
Working in our Environment

Recycled Paper
CANDIDA

SUSTAINABLE FIBRE SOURCE
CANDIDA



Our Input into helping the Environment

- **Recycled Paper** Candida uses paper with up to 100% recycled content
- **Recyclable** All paper used can be recycled
- **Waste** All of Candida's waste and trim is recycled
- **Inks** Candida uses water based inks for all flexographic printing
- **Packaging** A selection of our packaging boxes are reused, up to 5 times
- **Sustainable Forests** Candida looks to suppliers who source product only from sustainable managed forests
- **ECF** Candida specifies our recycled paper supplies are classified as Elemental Chlorine Free
- **TCF** Totally chlorine free virgin paper is preferred by Candida
- **ISO 9001** Candida looks to suppliers who can offer ISO9001:2000 levels of Quality Management Systems
Candida is ISO 9001 accredited
- **FSC** The Forest Stewardship Council - supports environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial, and economically viable, management of the world's forests.
- **ISO 14001** Candida looks to suppliers who offer ISO 14001 levels of Environmental Management Systems
- **Supporting** Candida manufactures locally, traditionally supporting the local community
- **Caring** Candida is a family business caring for the Environment

Paper. Candida Stationery uses both recycled and virgin papers in it's operations.

RECYCLED PAPERS. Recycled papers, both white and kraft, are sourced from qualified suppliers who have substantiated their claims as to the level of recycled content. The recycled papers currently being used by Candida Stationery have guaranteed minimum recycled content of 60% for white paper.

Some of the newer papers now contain up to 100% recycled content.

These papers, once converted into envelopes, can be recycled back into the pulp stream up to four times.

The use of a mixture of recycled and virgin pulp, such as 60/40 mixes, ensures the manufactured paper has the key properties required for its intended end-use as an envelope.

Recycled papers sourced by Candida Stationery do not use any form of chlorine in the bleaching process. Technically however, as the waste stream is used, (including that of milk cartons), the source of recycled pulp, may contain minor traces of chlorine, the recycled paper is classified as "ECF" (Elemental Chlorine Free).

VIRGIN PAPERS. Suppliers of Candida Stationery's virgin white paper grades have confirmed that the pulp used to manufacture their paper comes from sustainably managed forests and plantations.

All suppliers of virgin white paper grades to Candida Stationery use chlorine free bleaching processes. This ensures that the paper produced is "TCF" (Totally Chlorine Free).

QUALITY ENVELOPES. Our selection of these papers ensures envelopes can be made to a high quality - giving whiteness, surface finish, and stiffness, enabling high quality print finish and machine insertion speed.

REMOVAL OF PAPER WASTE. Two of the key components of Candida Stationery's Environmental Programme are the reduction and recycling of waste.

As a predominantly web (reel) based manufacturer, the waste generated is reduced significantly by purchasing the narrowest possible reels to safely manufacture Candida Stationery's range. Waste is monitored within Candida Stationery as a key performance indicator. Our processes are continually refined in pursuit of the objective of minimal waste.

All waste generated during manufacturing, such as the trim and window patch, is recycled, generally ending up in tissue and packaging grade papers.

Candida Stationery is also recycling the outer packaging on paper reels received from suppliers.



Other Raw Materials and Packaging.

INKS. Water based inks are used in Candida Stationery's plants for all flexographic printing. The selection of water based inks removes the need for solvents in the printing process. This is better for the environment, the health of our staff, and makes it easier to remove ink from the paper during the recycling process.

INWARD PACKAGING. Plastic shrink wrap used on incoming paper reels and pallets is all retained and sent out for recycling.

ENVELOPE PACKAGING. Minimising the use of packaging while preventing damage to the envelopes contained within is a continuing focus for Candida Stationery. Examples of innovative packaging used include:

- 1000 Box: Designed to eliminate outer cartons, this packaging has been in place for many years.
- 2000 Box: A huge step in removing packaging from the environment. These boxes are reused up to five times through an integrated manufacturing and distribution system.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. **Can all envelopes produced by Candida Stationery be recycled?**
Yes. All of our paper can be recycled. In addition, Candida Stationery has two envelopes specifically designed to be reused.
2. **To what levels of Quality does Candida achieve?**
Candida prides itself on the level of competency it has achieved, and currently complies with ISO 9001 level of Quality Management.
3. **Is there a symbol that can be printed on our envelopes to show we are using environmentally friendly papers?**
Yes. Candida Stationery has developed two symbols which identify the use of environmentally responsible paper in the manufacture of our envelopes.



Recycled Logo

Denotes the envelope paper is comprised of at least 50% recycled material.



Sustainable fibre source:

Denotes that only trees from sustainably managed forests were used in the paper making process.

A guide towards Sustainable Publishing – supporting Government implemented initiatives.

Candida is mindful of Government initiatives on industry-lead policies for the protection of the environment.

At Candida we care