We are committed to the principles of the circular economy, which is the opposite of the old “take, make and dispose” industrial model. This means we keep resources in use as long as possible, extract the maximum value from them while in use, then recover and repair or recycle products no longer needed. Hilti is an ISO 14001 Registered company. But our commitment to the environment only begins there.

**Recovering used tools and giving them new purpose**

Many Hilti tools still have years of life left in them when a customer returns or trades them in. We rescue 1,200 of these tools annually. After refurbishing them, they are donated to nonprofit organizations to assist in things like rebuilding efforts.

**Recycling our tools**

In the U.S. and Canada, we recover and recycle nearly 1 million pounds of tools a year. We recycle our tools as well as any competitive trade-ins we receive.

- In the U.S., Hilti recycles **900,000 lbs.** of recovered tools annually.
  - Recycler is ISO 9001/14001, OHSAS 18001 Certified
  - Recycler is R2 Certified and an e-Steward
  - Recycling process is zero landfill
- In Canada, we recycle almost **75,000 lbs.** of recovered tools annually.
  - Recycler is ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18001 Certified
  - Recycler is R2 Certified
  - More than 99 percent of material is completely recycled

**Battery recycling**

Over **55,000 lbs.** of batteries are recycled annually to help ensure these products don’t end up in landfills leaching chemicals and heavy metals into soil, groundwater, lakes and streams.

- Recycler is ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001 Certified
- Recycler is R2 Certified
- Program is designed to accept any competitor’s batteries

**Minimizing disposal of damaged or expired chemical products**

This begins with ensuring we cut waste before it starts by actively managing our product development process to avoid unnecessary production waste. Through an aggressive control program, Hilti has a scrap rate of 0.06 percent.

**Green Building programs**

Hilti offers over 100 products including firestop, adhesive anchors, mechanical anchors, direct fastening, screw fastening, and installation systems that qualify for credit on LEED V3, LEED V4, and Living Building Challenge Projects.