



Mobile Phones



Mobile phones contain many toxic materials such as cadmium, arsenic and lead. If sent to landfill, these chemicals can leach into groundwater, soil and enter the food chain.



Why we should recycle:

- Australia has more mobile phones than people, with around 31 million mobile phones in operation, and a further 23 million stored within homes. Only 9% of mobile phones get recycled each year, while the rest go to landfill.



How recycling helps

- Each tonne of mobile phone materials recycled represents 10 tonnes of avoided greenhouse gas emissions.
- Over 95% of the materials in phones can be recycled.



What you can do

- Recycle your phone to help reduce demand for materials and relieve pressure on endangered habitats.
- To recycle mobile phones, handsets and accessories at UQ, send via internal mail to:

Properties and Facilities
Mailroom
The University of
Queensland
St Lucia Campus

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