



Storage & Handling Guidance – Recycled Plastic Lumber

Always follow these guidelines for storing Plaswood recycled plastic lumber to ensure it remains at its very best until it is ready to be used.

Recycled plastic lumber is more flexible than timber and incorrect storage could cause problems such as bending, bowing or profile distortion.

Storage Essentials

Store Flat : Always store recycled plastic lumber on flat even ground. Never store on uneven ground or lean up against a wall as it can bow under its own weight.

Support : If you are storing on bearers for support always ensure the bearers are of an even height and space your supports evenly at a maximum spacing of 80cm.

Protect from Elements : If at all possible store your recycled plastic lumber indoors. If storing outdoors store in a cool, shaded area away from direct sunlight if possible.

Cover : Cover fully when storing outside to protect the lumber profiles from direct sunlight, dust and dirt.

Banding : Keep the lumber profiles on the pallets they were delivered on and keep fully banded until required to prevent bending.

If you need to break the contents of the pallet down for storage then always re-band profiles when stored. Heavy duty cable ties or strapping are ideal for temporary banding.

Acclimation : Recycled plastic lumber will expand and contract across its length in line with temperature shifts. Let the lumber rest for 24 hours in the environment that it is going to be installed to allow acclimation.



About Plaswood®

Plaswood is part of Amcor, a global leader in responsible packaging solutions. Plaswood® turns plastic waste into long-lasting recycled plastic lumber products. Manufactured in the UK from at least 95% recycled plastic, Plaswood® combines over 25 years of manufacturing experience with proven performance and a commitment to circular use of resources.



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