PLASTIC POTS/PLUG TRAYS/FLATS/FILM RECYCLING PROGRAM

Who can participate? This program is open to all large Nurseries, Farms, and Growers.

What types of plastics are accepted? Pots, plug trays, flats, nylon string and nursery/greenhouse film are recyclable. The pots and trays will be stamped with a recycling code—generally “2” for pots and “6” for trays.

How should the plastic be prepared?

Pots and Plug Trays: Each type of plastic must be separated on its own pallet. As long as the recycling code is the same, different colors and sizes can be mixed on a pallet. Mixed pallets can be put on the truck, as long as each pallet only contains one type of plastic. If you are unsure of the plastic, please call and we will try to help figure it out. If you have only a little plastic, that you cannot determine the type, you can put it on one pallet and mark it “miscellaneous”.

Try to knock the majority of the dirt out of the pots and trays. Usually, tapping the back of the piece will accomplish this. A thin layer of dirt is permissible but excessive dirt could result in rejection of the load. Trays and pots should be nested tightly, stacked on the pallet and palletized.

Nursery/Greenhouse Film: The greenhouse film should be kept free of moisture and surface dirt, it should be taken off during a period of dry weather. The best way to store the film is to fold it or roll it and place them on pallets and, then, secured, with film or banding. Greenhouse film will also be accepted in bales or stuffed in cartons. In no case, can the film be stuffed into the truck. All plastic must be easy to load and unload; packaging is a critical component of recycling large quantities of LDPE Nursery Film.

What is the plastic worth? In its loose state the plastic is worth anywhere from 30$/ton to 60$/ton, this price depends on the weight and the quality of the material loaded. Ideally, you want to be able to load 10,000 -15,000lbs on a 48’ or 53’ Dry Van.

Who does the Trucking? Universal Commodity Services will provide a 48’ or 53’ Dry Van for the loading of the agricultural plastic scrap. If the supplier would prefer to deliver the material he or she can give us a call and we can provide a drop-off location in NJ.

How will I be paid? Payment can be sent by check or by bank wire, UCS offers timely payments within 30 days of picking up the plastic.

How do I arrange a pickup? In order to arrange a pickup, get a quote or ask on the progress of a particular pickup please call UCS Directly.

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