Marine Shrink wrap RECYCLING

Let's shrink plastic use!



What is the program?

The Marine Shrink Wrap Recycling Initiative gives boat owners an option to discard marine shrink wrap. It will be recycled into new material for future use.

What will the material be recycled into?

The plastic shrink wrap will be available to domestic recyclers that will convert it into Post Consumer Resin (PCR). PCR is the chemical equivalent of virgin plastic nurdles of the same material, but is recognized as post-consumer.

Why create the program?

Plastic debris is the leading cause of ocean pollution. Plastic waste is ingested by marine animals causing serious health consequences.
Plastic pollution has also been linked to ocean acidification. This program will help reduce the amount of plastic that can end up in the ocean.

How does it work?

A marine site will sign up to participate in the program. After signing up, you be able to purchase bags, which will be able to hold 950 sq. ft. of shrink wrap material. Then, a collection partner will pick up the shrink wrap to be recycled.

How do I prepare marine shrink wrap for recycling?

Ensure shrink wrap is clean of any non-shrink wrap material. Fold the shrink wrap into 4-5 foot widths and roll each piece into a tight bundle. Tie the bundle with a strip of shrink wrap, and now you're ready to recycle your shrink wrap.

