



## ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Vertilux is a major supplier of blinds for the commercial market. As a key member of the blinds manufacturing industry in Australia, Vertilux recognises that it has a number of responsibilities to the environment, to the community and across the entire industry and supply chain. Our goal is to be the most sustainable blind manufacturer in the world.

What does Vertilux mean by sustainable blind manufacturing? The following points represent key guidelines Vertilux will use to ensure its practice matches its vision:

- Use less materials to produce more product.
- Lead through supply chain management.
- Manage the supply chain to reduce waste.
- Work from a position of knowledge across all aspects of operations.
- Utilise the scale of Vertilux to positively influence the industry and Government.
- Be an industry leader in sustainability and environmental performance. Vertilux will eliminate practises and the use of products that emit harmful or toxic emissions including greenhouse gases into the atmosphere.
- Use the results from internal strategies to provide a business case for the rest of the industry and positively influence the greater industry.
- Lead through research and design in blinds. This encompasses fabrics and efficiencies in manufacturing through to new types of blinds that confer tangible environmental benefits to the user and the world.
- Endeavour to use local solutions to procurement needs, where viable.
- To have internal energy efficiency and environmental responsibility as standard practise.
- There is no such thing as a waste stream, just an opportunity to recycle and save cost. Vertilux will become net waste neutral.

Vertilux is not concerned with compliance, that is a given. Vertilux intend to be the world leaders in sustainable blinds manufacturing. Vertilux will use the lessons learnt to achieve this position to influence their competitors to strive for similar performance.

