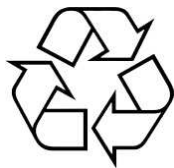


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Throughout EmilCeramica's history, environmental friendliness has been a top priority. Key aspects of this environmental policy include:



- EmilCeramica is a proud member of the US Green Building Council, which promotes buildings that are environmentally responsible, profitable and healthy places to work.
- EmilCeramica products produce NO volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions that would negatively affect indoor air quality, as certified by Berkeley Analytical Associates.
- EmilCeramica products can be cleaned with simple, safe water base cleaners, will not support the growth of harmful bacteria or mold, nor will they absorb harmful chemicals from their surroundings.
- EmilCeramica is a leader in the use of recycled material in the production of porcelain tile. Many of our products are manufactured using as much as 40% pre-consumer recycled content.
- EmilCeramica recycles all manufacturing by-products including production breakage, wastewater, sludge and gaseous emissions resulting in minimal environmental impacts.
- EmilCeramica recycles all water used in the production process resulting in dramatically reduced water consumption.
- Heat generated as a by-product of the manufacturing process is used for electricity generation making EmilCeramica partially self sufficient for its electricity needs.
- EmilCeramica uses no harmful and/or radioactive materials, including cadmium or soluble lead.
- EmilCeramica products are extremely durable resulting in minimal replacement costs and lower life cycle costs. Our ERGON brand of products comes with a **LIFETIME GUARANTEE**.
- All packing material (cardboard, plastic, paper) is produced with recycled material.
- EmilCeramica voluntarily complies with the European Community Environmental Management and Auditing Scheme.
- Based on its environmental commitment, EmilCeramica has been the recipient of several important awards including:
 - : 1993 ETS/ENEL Award for Electricity Cogeneration
 - : 1995 Eco-Efficiency Award for the publishing group Il Sole 24 Ore