

The Recolight-CoBRA Scheme Partnership

Community Bulb Recycling Alliance

What is the CoBRA Scheme?

The CoBRA Scheme is a volunteer-led, community waste collection scheme. Started by Mark David Hatwood in 2007 to collect batteries on behalf of his community in Cornwall, the scheme steadily grew. Within two years, the CoBRA Scheme had won four national awards and helped collect over 35 tonnes of batteries in Cornwall alone. It has now spread to other counties throughout the UK.

In 2010, Mark cemented a partnership with Recolight (a not-for-profit company created to collect CFLs – Low Energy Light Bulbs), making the first community bulb collection anywhere in the UK.

What can I do to help?

We are looking for community volunteers to get involved in the CoBRA Scheme throughout the UK. If you would like to become a recycling pioneer in your community, simply go to www.Recolight.CoBRAScheme.com and sign up. It's quick, simple and easy and within ten minutes you could part of the UK's fastest growing network of community waste pioneers.

What would be my responsibilities?

You would become responsible for a collection receptacle in your community and, once full, would agree to take it to one of the local bulking-up centres where it would then be collected for recycling... simple!

What if there are few or no bulking-up centres near me?

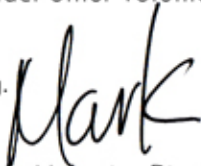
If, when you visit the online map, you find there are few or no bulking-up locations in your area, we encourage you to become one! We'll supply you with all you need. All we ask is that you agree to take collections from other local volunteers in your vicinity and store them in a wheelie bin, provided by us. Once that's full, simply call us and we'll collect it... it's that easy.

How can I find out more?

Go to www.Recolight.CoBRAScheme.com and visit our F.A.Qs... or sign-up!

You can also contact other volunteers using our facebook site. Simply search under "CoBRA Scheme".

Thank you for caring.



Mark David Hatwood - Managing Director CoBRA Scheme

HOW THE CoBRA SCHEME WORKS

1. A press and publicity campaign attracts forward thinking volunteers.
2. The Volunteers find a suitable local location (Post Office, local store, etc.) and sign up on the Recolight/CoBRA Scheme website.
3. They are sent a Starter Pack which includes their Bulbstore Mini container which they place in their chosen location.
4. When full, the volunteer empties the Bulbstore Mini container and takes the contents to their local bulking-up centre (Recolight collection point) and places it in the Recolight wheelie bin.
5. When the wheelie bin is full, the bulking-up centre informs Recolight.
6. Recolight empties the wheelie bin, taking the contents for safe recycling.

