



Spilled pellets, flakes and powders can make their way into local waters and eventually end up in our oceans where they create both a litter problem and a threat to sea life. Operation Clean Sweep® (OCS) is an international program that can help each segment of our industry implement good housekeeping practices to achieve zero pellet, flake and powder loss.

When you take the pledge and implement the Operation Clean Sweep® program, the environment wins and so does your company.

The Goal: To achieve zero pellet, flake and powder loss.

Take the pledge as either a Partner or Supporter, and demonstrate that your company is committed to keeping resin pellets, flakes and powders out of the environment.

OCS Partners: Manufacturers, handlers, producers of resin pellets, flakes or powders who can directly improve their operations and prevent pellet loss.

OCS Supporters: Organizations that do not qualify for partnership (i.e., do not manufacture or handle resin pellets, flakes or powders) but work with resin manufacturers or handlers and support the efforts of OCS to prevent pellet, flake and powder loss in the environment.

Completing this pledge will qualify your company's name to be added (unless otherwise specified) to the list of OCS Program Partners and Supporters in Canada.

We'll help you work towards zero pellet loss and give you tools to help your company:

- improve worksite set-up to prevent and address spills
- create and publish internal procedures to achieve zero pellet, flake and powder loss goals
- provide employee training and accountability for spill prevention, containment, cleanup and disposal
- comply with all applicable federal, provincial and municipal regulations governing pellet containment

Join your fellow industry colleagues by taking the pledge to be an OCS partner or supporter and prevent resin pellet, flake and powder loss into the environment.

Visit www.plastics.ca/ocs to submit your pledge online, learn more about OCS and for tools that can help your company work towards zero pellet, flake and powder loss. Pledging will help strengthen your company's:

- contribution to preserving water quality and wildlife
- compliance with federal, provincial, and municipal regulations
- employee and safety program
- operational efficiency
- financial bottom line
- reputation in the community

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Partner Success Stories

Hear from your peers on how OCS has benefited their operations!

"We have been a PE film extrusion and converting house for the better part of the last four decades. Although we took great care in collecting and sorting film waste from our operations, we paid little to no attention on the "spills" of resins from the loading into our silos right up to the loading into our extruders.

Last year, having become aware of your Operation Clean Sweep[®], we instructed our staff to collect and document all spills. We installed trays underneath the trucks loading into the silos, and meticulously collected all small spills around trap doors or open junctions inside our plant. Much to our surprise, we collected two full Gaylord boxes of resin in one year... no small matter. We have established a process to reduce the spillage and have sent all collected resins to our recycling partner for cleaning and reprocessing.

The awareness brought about by Operation Clean Sweep[®] was both profitable and in line with our values. We pride ourselves that all of our non-food packaging films contain recycled materials and constantly try to lecture our customers on assuring that their new product concepts remain recyclable. Now, we can safely say that our production is clean from cradle to grave."

Marc Robitaille

President
Omniplast Inc.



Prevent pellet, flake and powder loss in transit



Plastics manufacturer



In transport by rail car



In transport by truck



In transport by container ships and barges



Consumer product facility