



Sustainability - Frequently Asked Questions

Do you have a sustainability policy, statement or strategy?

We are part of Halma plc, a FTSE 100 company with a shared purpose to ‘grow a safer, cleaner, healthier future for everyone, every day’.

Halma has a Sustainable Framework with specific targets and goals, including an Environmental Policy and Key Sustainability Objectives. You can read more about Halma’s approach to sustainability on their website: www.halma.com/sustainability

At Advanced we are aligned with Halma’s environmental policy and objectives, and we are committed to our purpose of ‘creating a safer future’ – a safer future for people and property protected from fire, and a safer future for our planet too. We continue to find ways of reducing our environmental impact – both as a business and as individuals – and we choose environmentally-friendly methods of manufacture wherever possible and actively seek out more sustainable ways of operating.

Our policies include:

- Sustainability policy
- Sustainability strategy
- Electrical vehicle scheme
- Electric vehicle charging policy
- ISO accreditation
- Code of conduct
- IMS policy
- 100% renewable electricity certification

What are Halma’s sustainability objectives?

Halma has set the following objectives:

Climate Change

Key target is to achieve net zero (Scope 1 and 2 emissions) by 2040

- Reduce Scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gas emissions by 42% by 2030 (from 2020)
- Achieve 80% renewable electricity by 2025
- Improve annual energy productivity by 4%.

Circular Economy

- Commitment to publishing progress against circular economy goals set by individual Halma companies in their KSO action plans.

Do you have a strategy for working towards net zero carbon initiatives and targets?

Halma plc has set a target of achieving net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2040.

As part of the Halma Group, Advanced is required to monitor and report its Scope 1 (direct) and Scope 2 (indirect) emissions on a bi-annual basis. Halma is currently working to understand its baseline for Scope 3 (indirect emissions).

In addition to working towards achieving Halma’s objectives, Advanced has been proactive in developing its own internal Sustainability Strategy in order to reduce its carbon footprint.

This has driven such initiatives as:

- Digitisation of our product manuals
- Consolidating supplier deliveries
- Electric vehicle scheme
- Installation of electric vehicle chargers
- Cycle-to-work scheme
- Low-energy/auto cut-off lighting

Can you give examples of working towards net zero carbon initiatives and targets?

Our recent initiatives include installing electric vehicle charging points at our head office and introducing cycle to work and electric vehicle schemes. We use recycled paper packaging, recycle our waste metal and use a carbon-neutral print supplier.

We use a green energy supplier in our head office/manufacturing facility and have installed water management, climate control and heat exchange systems. We also use low-energy lighting with automatic cut-off to reduce wasted energy, and are currently optimising and further automating our heating/lighting scheduling to optimise our energy consumption.

Do you hold any ISO accreditations or environmental standards/commitments and if so, are they externally validated by a third party?

We are externally accredited by BSI to EN ISO14001 and EN ISO9001. You can view our certificates on our website: www.advancedco.com You’ll find them on the home page under accreditations.

Do you have a responsible sourcing policy or undertake responsible sourcing activities?

We do not currently have a responsible sourcing policy, although we are currently in the process of moving our suppliers onto the **EcoVadis platform** - you can read about this at <https://ecovadis.com>. This monitors the performance of suppliers to give a better visibility of their sustainability ratings.

We are also in the process of integrating sustainability as part of our regular supplier evaluation process, which will help us identify and develop suppliers in the future.

Do you monitor your carbon emissions/carbon footprint?

Yes, we monitor our Scope 1 and Scope 2 carbon emissions and report on them on a biannual basis.