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Monofilament Line Recycling Bins



Plastics SA, the Dyer Island Conservation Trust and the Wildlife and Environmental Society of Southern Africa (WESSA) invites you to join us in helping to reduce marine debris. With funding from DPI plastics and the South African Plastics Pipe Makers Association (SAPPMA), we are building a nationwide network of monofilament recycling locations to make proper disposal of fishing line more accessible. Volunteer to install and maintain a monofilament recycling location at a fishing spot near you.

Who: Marinas, Fishing Clubs, Local Organisations.

What: Volunteer to install and maintain a monofilament recycling location

- We will, with kind donation from DPI plastics provide you with your own monofilament recycling bin.
- Install the bin in a high traffic fishing area and regularly maintain it, separate any collected material and send the collected line to Plastics SA for processing.
- Track the amount of line you collect through our online database.

Where: A high traffic fishing area in your area (marinas, boat launches, parks, etc.)

Why: In the South African International Coastal Cleanup fishing line has retained its number 8 position in the top 10 list for the past 15 years.

Of all the items in the top ten list of items found on beaches, fishing line is the most problematic as most of the smaller animals found entangled, are trapped by mono filament line. Discarded fishing material (nets, mono filament line, and Cray fish trap anchor ropes) is



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responsible for far more damage to marine life than any packaging. What makes it especially dangerous is that it cuts into the skin and flesh of larger mammals (i.e. seals).



The material is also dangerous for human swimmers and boating as it can damage propellers of boats.

By increasing public awareness about the negative impact of fishing line debris on marine life, water quality, and human welfare, the project's goal is to reduce the amount of fishing line entering and remaining in the marine environment.

Interested?

Plastics SA is happy to provide a bin and signage for bins. [Email us](#) and let us know how many bins you need and where we can send them.

Where to Send Collected Line?

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We thank you for your interest in keeping our waters and coast safe.

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