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DESIGNER OUTLETS

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Three new ISO accreditations for McArthurGlen's UK centres

McArthurGlen, Europe's leading developer, owner and manager of designer outlets, has been awarded three further ISO 14001 accreditations in the UK.

The internationally recognised ISO 14001 standard, governing environmental management systems, has been awarded to Ashford Designer Outlet in Kent, Livingston Designer Outlet near Edinburgh and Swindon Designer Outlet.

York Designer Outlet was the first McArthurGlen designer outlet centre to achieve the ISO 14001 standard, in 2008 and 2009.

ISO 14001, developed by the Geneva-based International Organization for Standardization, helps organisations to implement good environmental practice and to continually improve their environmental performance.

As part of attaining the ISO 14001 standard, Ashford Designer Outlet, for example, has reduced what it sends to landfill to zero by recycling or re-using all of its 650 tonnes of waste. This breaks down into 400 tonnes of 'Waste to Energy', used to power the National Grid, and 200 tonnes of cardboard, and 50 tonnes of plastic and coat hangers, which are all recycled.

Across Europe, all of McArthurGlen's 18 designer outlets, of which 11 are in Continental Europe, are committed to enhancing their green credentials, with regular environmental and energy audits conducted across the portfolio.

David Norris, Operations Director, McArthurGlen Group, says: “Achieving the ISO 14001 standard is an excellent environmental benchmark for our centres. It is also a reflection of McArthurGlen’s ongoing commitment to improving the quality of service we provide our customers, and brand and investor partners by placing a minimal demand on the environment, and by adopting an efficient and effective use of resources.”

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