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Polystyrene in SA is currently being recycled into picture frames, cornices and curtain rods, for example. 'It is not a high-profile item in recycling terms (unlike glass, paper, aluminium cans, batteries and tyres) and many people don't consider the implications of just how much polystyrene they are dumping,' she says. 'The solution is separation, compaction and recycling.'

In an effort to raise awareness of polystyrene as a product and its numerous packaging uses, the impact on the environment and the importance of recycling, various representatives of manufacturers, consumer bodies and recycling organisations have recently joined forces to form the first-ever PSPC in SA, which is now calling on consumers to assist in its recycling efforts.

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Polystyrene's many uses