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## **FOREMANS LAUNCHES NEW CLADDING SYSTEM AS STANDARD FOR ITS RECYCLED MODULAR BUILDINGS**



**Foremans Relocatable Building Systems, the UK's largest supplier of recycled and refurbished modular buildings, has introduced a new cladding system which has significant aesthetic and performance benefits – and will now be supplied on all buildings as standard and at no extra cost.**

The new composite cladding system is fixed to the outside of the steel-framed modules creating a double skin that increases both thermal and acoustic performance, and provides a more robust and durable finish than traditional paint.

It is fast to install and unlike painting, completion is not subject to the weather. It can also be pre-installed off site to minimise disruption, and can be used to re-clad existing Foremans buildings if required.

The cladding is available in a choice of colours for design flexibility and to allow the modular accommodation to complement existing buildings.

Commenting on the new design feature, Kevin Jones, Managing Director of Foremans, said, "We can still provide customers with painted modules, but we felt the new cladding system significantly enhances the appearance of a modular building as well as offering a more thermally efficient and robust solution than paint. We are also happy to work with clients and architects to accommodate other architectural cladding systems and features to further enhance the buildings."

"We already completely refurbish each module – only the structure of the building is recycled – and by offering the cladding as standard, we are adding even more value to our pre-owned modular accommodation solutions."

Each recycled modular building is fully refurbished off site by Foremans, with new windows, wall linings, partitions, M&E services, doors and flooring, creating high quality accommodation for a range of permanent and interim uses, including classrooms, wards, and offices.

Pre-owned modular buildings are a highly cost-effective alternative to new build – an important benefit where budgets are restricted.

The recycling and refurbishment of relocatable buildings is also one of the most sustainable methods of construction – helping to reduce carbon emissions, waste sent to landfill, and improving a building's carbon footprint. Other advantages include:

- Programme times reduced by up to 70 per cent
- Less disruption during construction
- The buildings can easily be expanded, reconfigured or removed if space requirements change
- High quality steel-framed modular buildings are built to last and require fewer groundworks than traditional site-based construction – further reducing cost, disruption and programme times
- The approach generates less than 10 per cent of the carbon emissions and uses less than 3 per cent of the energy during construction, compared to a newly manufactured building of equivalent size (*source*: MPBA/Arup).
- This is a highly thermally efficient solution. In independent tests for air permeability, Foremans' recycled modular buildings have performed up to 80 per cent better than Building Regulations requirements – reducing energy consumption, running costs and carbon emissions.

**For further information about recycled and refurbished modular buildings, visit [www.foremansbuildings.info](http://www.foremansbuildings.info), email [info@foremansbuildings.co.uk](mailto:info@foremansbuildings.co.uk), or call 01964 544344.**

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### Editor's Notes

1. Foremans offers the UK's largest selection of refurbished *Portakabin* buildings available from stock. It provides a nationwide service from its 30,000sqm production centre in East Yorkshire, and its new southern regional centre in Hemel Hempstead.

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2. The company offers a full range of construction services, including planning advice and submissions, Building Regulations approvals, funding options, and all aspects of the building design, space planning, project management, groundworks, fitting out, delivery, site installation, testing and commissioning.