

PRESORTING SPECTACLES

Please can you sort the spectacles you collect into different categories before they are sent to National Headquarters or Chichester as it makes it quicker for them in the sorting process.

Categories listed below:

DESIGNER- frames made by Tom Ford, Emporio Armani, Cartier, Ralf Lauren, Gucci, Versace, Kylie Minogue- to name a few. If the spectacles look expensive put them in the designer pile.

A dealer comes into National Headquarters and looks at the designer frames and buys them. Money made from this goes towards covering the cost of sending spectacles to Medico France and other locations.

GOLD COLOURED FRAMES AND ARMS- any gold and rose gold on the frame or arm of the spectacles. If you feel there is any gold on sunglasses, broken frames, or readers put them in this pile and in the final sort it will be decided to include them or not.

A dealer comes into National Headquarters and looks at the frames and buys them for the gold content. Money made from this goes towards the cost of sending spectacles to Medico France and other locations.

READY READERS- glasses bought in Poundland, Boots etc as cheap reading glasses.

On the arms of glasses you will see lots of letters and numbers but ready readers are defined as having only the strength of +1. 2. 3. 4. and the wording "Ready Reader/Reader" indicated on the arm.

These are sent to Eye Camps abroad through Medico France.

SUNGLASSES- sent to Eye Camps abroad through Medico France.

BROKEN- includes broken frames, frames with lenses missing, single lenses without the strength written on them, anything else wrong with the spectacles. These are sent to Biffa who incinerates them and uses the energy produced to top up the National Grid.

SORTED- sent to Eye Camps abroad through Medico France.

Any type of glasses which do not fit into any other category. Packs of lenses in paper packets with the strength of the lens on the front.

Do not worry if you miss sort any of the spectacles during the presort stage as Birmingham or Chichester will sort it out in the final sort stage.

Any queries let me know.

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