



Single-Use Plastics Ban

All businesses/organizations inside Lake Forest Park are prohibited from selling, providing or using single-use carry-out bags, food service containers, straws, lids, and utensils, as of January 23, 2019.

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What does this mean?

- All businesses, schools, and other organizations inside the city limits may no longer provide single-use plastic carryout bags or non-compostable food service containers, straws, lids, or utensils to their customers after January 23, 2019.
- Recyclable paper bags may be provided to a customer upon request; there is a required pass-through charge of not less than ten (10) cents per bag provided, and retail establishments must indicate on the customer transaction receipt the number of recyclable paper bags provided and the amount of the pass-through charge.
- All bags, food service containers, straws, lids, and utensils provided to customers must be compostable.

Exemptions and Implementation

- Disposable flexible plastic drinking straws can be made available when needed by customers due to medical or physical conditions.
- Other types of plastic bags such as, bags without handles for produce, bulk foods (meat, nuts, grains, candy, small hardware items, etc.); bags provided to contain or wrap flowers/potted plants; laundry dry-cleaning bags; newspaper bags; bags sold in packages containing multiple bags intended for garbage, pet waste, yard waste.
- The regulations allow granting of an extension for businesses that can show sufficient information the regulations would cause undue hardship. Requests for extension need to be submitted to the City in writing by February 22, 2019.

Banned and Allowed Items

 <p>Plastic Carryout Shopping Bags</p> <p>BANNED</p>	 <p>Large Paper Shopping Bags</p> <p>40%</p> <p>10 cents (Minimum charge required.)</p>	 <p>Smaller Paper Bags</p> <p>FREE (Charge optional.)</p>	 <p>Clear Plastic Produce/ Bulk Food Bags</p> <p>ALLOWED</p>	 <p>BANNED</p>
 <p>BANNED</p> <p>Disposable Plastic Straws</p>	 <p>ALLOWED</p> <p>Compostable* Paper Straws and Compostable* Plastic Straws</p>	 <p>BANNED</p> <p>Disposable Plastic Utensils</p>	 <p>ALLOWED</p> <p>Compostable* Utensils</p>	

Questions?

Call City Hall at
206-368-5440

To read the complete text of the single-use plastic bag Ordinance 1181 (LFP Municipal Code Chapter 5.24) or find more information go to www.cityofflp.com