

Zero Waste Event - Guidelines for store holder and vendors.

The event you are selling at is a Zero Waste Event. Zero waste is a way of using and throwing away less. This means that you will need to supply compostable packaging for the food and drink that you sell.


To help you use the right sort of packaging this guide shows what compostable packaging is and lists some suppliers of compostable packaging in Auckland.






If the packaging doesn't clearly state that it is compostable to a standard, then **DO NOT USE IT**.







Getting it right is important: Sending the wrong products to the composting facility will contaminate their end product. If there is too much non compostable material in a load this could lead to the entire truckload of product getting taken to landfill and the event may receive a fine from the service provider, as well as paying for the whole load to go to landfill.




The list below will help give you an idea of what is out there that you could use. Compostable products don't always cost more, and you can even save money by using less or simpler packaging such as paper napkins, or bags instead of boxes. The range of available products are growing and changing all the time, so be sure to check out the suppliers.

Note: The products shown here are for information purposes only, and no endorsement of any of the products or suppliers by Auckland Council is implied or expressed.

<p>WOODEN CUTLERY</p> 	<p>Wooden or bamboo knives, forks, spoons, and chopsticks</p>	<p>Pine cutlery is the easiest of the cutlery products to break down in composting environments at a very competitive price. These products can be disposed of in any composting environment including home composting.</p>
<p>COMPOSTABLE PLA CUTLERY (looks like plastic)</p>	<p>Compostable knives, forks, and spoons</p>	<p>Made from plant based PLA. They are able to be used in hot and cold foods. Designed to break down in commercial composting processes.</p>

<p>LINED PAPER CUPS</p> 	<p>Compostable cups – single or double wall</p> <p>Ranges from 4oz (perfect for tastings) and goes up to 20oz/600ml size to replace milkshake cups.</p>	<p>These cups look and perform similar to regular paper cups but have a thin plant based plastic PLA lining instead of the regular plastic lining. These cups break down readily in all commercial composting environments but are not designed for home composting or worm farms.</p>
<p>CLEAR PLASTIC CUPS</p> 	<p>Clear plastic cups and lids for cold drinks. Available in a range of sizes</p>	<p>Made from PLA bio plastic, they look and perform similarly to PET (number 1) plastic. They are compostable in commercial composting processes</p>
<p>MOULDED PAPER CUPS</p> 	<p>pulp based hot or cold cups available in a range of sizes</p>	<p>Ideally made from recycled paper and are non-bleached or dyed. They are fully compostable in any environment including home composting and worm farms and are widely available from most packaging suppliers</p>
<p>CUP HOLDERS</p> 	<p>Made from a recycled pulp</p>	<p>Ideally made from recycled paper and are non-bleached or dyed. They are fully compostable in any environment including home composting and worm farms and are widely available from most packaging suppliers</p>
<p>DRINKING STRAWS</p> 	<p>Paper drinking straws</p>	<p>The paper straws are made from food grade recycled paper and can be found at most packaging retailers. They are suitable for processing through all composting environments such as home composting and worm farming as they use soy based inks and are 100% recycled paper. They are quite suitable as a straw for a thin drink (not smoothie/thickshake) and hold their shape well. They come in a range of colours and designs</p>

<p>NAPKINS</p> 	<p>Recycled paper napkins, natural coloured</p>	<p>These kraft coloured paper napkins are made from recycled paper. They are food grade and free of toxic dyes.</p> <p>These are preferred for composting over coloured napkins. These natural/kraft coloured napkins are widely available at packaging retailers and wholesalers and are extremely cost effective.</p>
<p>CLAMSHELLS</p> 	<p>Range of compostable pressed fibre clamshells are available</p>	<p>Made from sugarcane, wheat straw or paper pulp. They are unlined and compostable in commercial processes.</p>
<p>SHALLOWBOXES</p> 	<p>Noodle or salad shallow box with water-based lining</p> <p>Hot or cold.</p> <p>Comes in range of sizes</p>	<p>This shallow cardboard box has a water based lining which is completely compostable in any composting environment. This particular product from "Friendlypak" differs to most similar products on the market which usually have a plastic lining which makes them neither recyclable nor compostable</p>
<p>BOWLS</p> 	<p>Single wall PLA hot or cold bowls for deli goods/ icecream etc. (preferred without lids)</p>	<p>These are very similar to the Hot/cold cups above and have a thin lining on the inside of the paper walls which is made from PLA. This can readily break down in commercial composting facilities but is not designed to be put through a home composting unit or worm farm.</p>
<p>POTATOPAK</p> 	<p>Range of plates, bowls, and trays</p>	<p>Potatopak products are made from waste starch from the french-fry manufacturing industry, and are 100% biodegradable.</p> <p>Potatopak products are suitable for all fast-food applications (with the exception of boiling water and blood-meat products). They break down quickly and are actually edible</p>
<p>WRAPS/POUCHES</p> 	<p>Sandwich wrap with vegetable wax coated paper</p> <p>Hot & Crispy pouch – Specially designed compostable pouches to keep burgers/sandwiches hot</p>	<p>The hot and crispy pouch replaces the usually non-recyclable tin foil used in food service, a great innovation, a paper based product can be processed through any composting environment including home compost and wormfarms.</p> <p>Sandwich wrap contains a vegetable wax lining and is the only greaseproof paper which can be composted.</p>

<p>PINE BOATS</p> 	<p>Pine servery Come in a range of sizes and shapes such as cones, boats, trays and platters.</p>	<p>Pine servery can be a great way of presenting tapas style or finger food. It does also come in a flat tray. The fibres are easy to break down in all commercial composting facilities and also in home composting and worm farming.</p>
<p>BIN LINERS</p> 	<p>Compostable bin liners in a range of sizes from 1 Litre to 240 Litres</p>	<p>Made from cornstarch, and can be processed in all commercial composting facilities.</p> <p>Useful for lining bins that take compostable packaging and food waste. They aid in emptying of bins and keep them clean.</p>
<p>PAPER BAGS</p> 	<p>Kraft paper bags FLAT (e.g for jerky or similar) Or WITH HANDLE</p>	<p>Bags are ideally made from recycled paper and are non-bleached or dyed. They are a cost effective alternative to carry-bags which are fully compostable in any environment including home composting and worm farms. They are widely available from most packaging suppliers in the flat version and the carry bag version. Vendors can use a water based ink stamp to brand bags if necessary</p>

PACKAGING

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Attwoods

FREE PHONE: 0800 PACK IT (0800 722 548)

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www.attwoods.co.nz

paper bags

Ayropak

Freephone:0800 465 666

Email: info@ayropak.co.nz

www.ayropak.co.nz/

Biodegradable bags, cups, clamshells, recycled cardboard shelving

BCS Foodpak Ltd

Showroom: Unit C, 57

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Tel: 09 277 0104

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Biodegradable cups

Castaways

Stephen Johnson

Tel 415 5120

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Variety of ranges of biodegradable products including platters, cups and cutlery

Ecoware

Tel: 0800 GO 4 ECO

email: hello@ecoware.co.nz

web: <http://www.ecoware.co.nz/>

Compostable cups, cutlery, clamshells, plates, bowls, napkins, lids, food boxes

Eden Enterprises

116 Cook Street

New Plymouth 4310 Products range & prices

available online

Tel (06) 751 3229

www.edengreenz.com

100% Biodegradable corn starch products, plates, cups, bowls, straws, bags, etc

Elldex Packaging Ltd

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Range of biodegradable packaging including bags, cups etc

Friendlypak

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Biodegradable cornstarch bags, potatopak plates, bowls etc, PLA lined paper cups

Innocent Packaging

Tel 09 523 3870

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www.innocentpackaging.co.nz/

Compostable cups, cutlery, clamshells, plates, soup bowls, noodle boxes, napkins, lids, straws

Kiwi Greenpak Ltd

www.kiwigreenpak.co.nz

Biodegradable cups, plates, bowls, clamshells etc

Potatopak NZ Ltd

P O Box 746 Products range & prices available online

Blenheim 7240

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100% Compostable potato starch products, plates, bowls, punnets, trays, cutlery etc

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Range of biodegradable products including clamshells, cups and bags

