CITY OF PACIFICA FOODWARE ORDINANCE NOTICE

Pacifica Municipal Code Title 6, Chapter 5, Article 4 and State Law AB 1276

Starting October 1, 2022

Single-use accessories, like utensils, napkins, and straws:

(1) Cannot be bundled

- (2) Provided by **request only** and/or at **dispensers** that dispense one item at a time
 - (3) Offered only at airports and drive-throughs

Refillable condiment dispensers are allowed.

Most single-use foodware must be made of **compostable natural fiber**, like paper and bamboo, instead of plastic.

Compostable plastic foodware (a.k.a. PLA, bioplastics) is not allowed (except for lining of items).

Larger single-use foodware (i.e., clamshells, cups, etc.) must be approved by an entity approved by the County of San Mateo (e.g., Biodegradable Products Institute, Compost Manufacturing Alliance, etc.).

Starting on 6/1/23, food facilities must use **reusable foodware** for dine-in, except for straws, stirrers, cocktail sticks/picks, toothpicks, napkins, wrappers, and liners so long as they are fiber-based, compostable.



