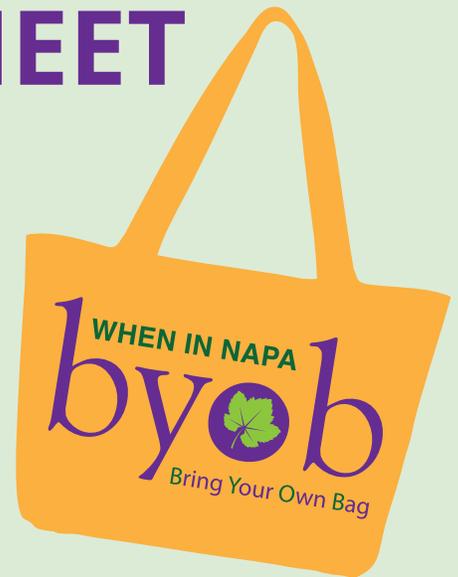


CUSTOMER FACTSHEET

The City of Napa has adopted a Single-Use Carryout Bag Reduction Ordinance to reduce the environmental and community impacts related to single-use plastic and paper carryout bags and promote a major shift toward the use of reusable bags.

Starting January 1, 2015 retail stores in the City of Napa may not provide single-use carryout plastic bags, and must charge a minimum of 10¢ for each paper bag sold to customers at checkout.

Customers have the option to bring their own reusable bags or purchase paper or reusable bags from stores.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE NEW ORDINANCE

- Prohibits single-use carryout plastic bags provided at checkout by all retail businesses.
- Stores may sell paper bags made of at least 40 percent post-consumer recycled content for a minimum price of 10 cents for each bag.
- All revenue from the sale of recycled paper bags is retained by the store to cover the cost of providing paper bags.
- Allows “protective” plastic or paper bags, without handles, for items such as meat, fresh produce, prepared food, and prescription medication.
- Customers purchasing food with WIC and CalFresh “food stamps” may be provided a paper bag at no cost.
- To view the ordinance language, visit cityofnapa.org/plasticbags.

SHOPPING WITH REUSABLE BAGS IS THE BEST CHOICE

Residents, visitors and businesses in the City of Napa discard approximately 27 million plastic bags each year, according to CalRecycle. A small percentage are recycled, but the majority end up in landfills, litter the landscape, pollute our river and creeks, harm or kill wildlife, and jam recycling equipment. Shopping with reusable bags is a great way to reduce litter and waste, protect waterways and wildlife, save money, and conserve natural resources.



REMEMBER TO BYOB

- Keep reusable bags by the door, in your car, or near your car keys.
- Keep foldable bags in your purse or backpack; some bags fold to a small size for purses and pockets.
- Put a sticky note on your dashboard or radio that reminds you about your bag until you get into the habit.
- Give your friends and family a reusable bag, and encourage them to start shopping with them today.
- Hang your reusable bag on your front door knob before you go shopping.
- Keep your coupons in your reusable bag.
- Give a reusable bag as a gift to remind your friends to choose to reuse.
- Keep bags clean by washing cloth bags, or wiping bags with a sponge and mild soap.

For additional information, visit cityofnapa.org/plasticbags.
If you have questions, call 707-257-9520 or e-mail Info@cityofnapa.org.