

Criteria for Accepted Compostable or Recyclable Food Service Ware in San Francisco



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Accepted for Compostables Collection	
MATERIAL	PRODUCTS
Paper (brown, white, off-white)	bowls, boxes, cups, plates, napkins, paper straws
Plant fiber ie: sugarcane or rice (brown, white, offwhite)	hinged containers, trays, cup holders
Wood	stirrers, cutlery
Compostable plastic (offwhite, clear, and green)	cold cups, hinged & lidded containers, cutlery, bags
<p><i>NOTE: Compostable plastic products must be clearly labeled "Compostable" (sticker or printing) in a green color or within a green band in order to distinguish the product from conventional plastic. Cutlery must be embossed with the word "Compostable" on each piece. Compostable plastics must meet ASTM D6400 standards for compostable plastics. The Biodegradable Products Institute maintains a list of certified compostable products that meet the ASTM standard: BPIworld.org</i></p>	

Accepted for Recyclables Collection	
MATERIAL	PRODUCT
Aluminum foil	wraps
Aluminum (excluding paper with foil backing)	trays, lidded containers
Plastic: #1 (PET), #2 (HDPE), #4 (LDPE), #5 (PP) , or #6 plastics. No foam or Styrofoam™.	cups & lids, cutlery, hinged containers, lids, plates

Refer to the list of *Vendors of Compostable or Recyclable Food Service Ware and Bags* on our website to purchase accepted food service ware: SFEnvironment.org/FoodService