

# CITY OF MONTEREY CODE UPDATE: FOOD SERVICE WARE

## Information for Food Providers

Effective April 22, 2019

Applies to: All food providers, city contractors, and special event participants



### REQUIRED

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#### DINE-IN

- **Non-PLA (polylactic acid) straws that are compostable** (e.g. paper, pasta, sugarcane) **or Reusable** (e.g. metal, silicone, bamboo, glass) **upon request only**
- **Reusable Food Service Ware** (Utensils, plates, bowls, cups, etc.)

#### DINE-OUT

- **Recyclable or compostable food service ware including but not limited to:**
  - **Take-out containers** (e.g. Plastic #1 or #2, PLA, paper, sugarcane)
  - **Utensils** (e.g. bamboo, PLA)
  - **Cups and lids** (e.g. wheat straw, PLA)



### PROHIBITED

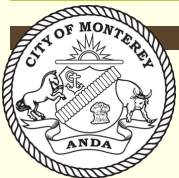
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- **Plastic food service ware including but not limited to:** straws, utensils, stirrers, cup lids (not recyclable)
- **PLA or bioplastic straws**
- **Plastic containers #3, #4, #5, and #6 (not recyclable)**
- **Any disposable food service ware for dine-in customers (must be reusable)**

**Exemption: A plastic straw shall be provided to individuals self-identifying as having a disability making the use of a plastic straw necessary (Dine -In or Dine-Out).**

## GENERAL REMINDERS

- **It is strongly recommended** that concerned parties read the full text of the Monterey City Code, Chapter 14, Article 3 available online at [www.codepublishing.com/CA/Monterey](http://www.codepublishing.com/CA/Monterey)
- PLA products may be placed in food waste or garbage carts and all food soiled cardboard (e.g pizza boxes) must be placed in the garbage - **not recycling carts.**
- When in doubt about whether a product is recyclable, consult the *What Goes Where* app or [www.whatgoeswhere.info](http://www.whatgoeswhere.info).



**Questions?** Contact the Sustainability Office - [MontereyRecycles.org](http://MontereyRecycles.org)  
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