

WHY?

Plastics play an important role in our economy and daily lives. When used in packaging, plastic helps ensure food safety and reduce food waste, but too often the way it is produced, used and discarded results in a wasted resource, and causes pollution, litter and harm to marine life.

South Australians are committed to the environment and want action on single-use plastic products. By avoiding waste and shifting to reusable or recyclable options, we can ensure the best environmental outcome for our 'clean and green' state.

The following plans put in place a phased and manageable move away from single-use plastics over the next three years, enabling all South Australians to replace waste by avoiding single-use plastics and adopting 'clean and green' alternatives.

BANNED AND ALTERNATIVES

March 2021



Single-use Plastic Straws



Single-use Plastic Cutlery



Single-use Plastic Stirrers

ALTERNATIVES





For information on reusable and compostable alternatives visit: www.replacethewaste.sa.gov.au/alternatives

BANNED AND ALTERNATIVES

March 2022



Expanded polystyrene cups, bowls, plates and clamshell containers



Oxo-degradable plastic products



September 2023



Single-use Plastic Plates



Single-use Plastic Bowls



Plastic Stemmed Cotton Buds



Plastic Pizza Savers

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September 2024



Plastic Produce Bags



Thicker Plastic Bags



Other EPS Food/Beverage Containers



Plastic Balloon Sticks/Ties



Plastic Confetti



Plastic Bread Tags



Single-use Plastic Beverage Containers, Lids and Beverage Plugs (including coffee cups)



Single-use Plastic Food Containers

September 2024

ALTERNATIVES



September 2025



Plastic Fruit Stickers



Plastic Soy Fish



Pre-packed products with plastic attachments

ALTERNATIVES

Stay Tuned

We are interested in hearing from organisations who have developed, or are developing, suitable reusable or compostable alternatives.

www.replacethewaste.sa.gov.au/contact

DO YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE?

The Replace the Waste website has all the latest information about which singleuse plastic items have been banned, items that will be banned in the next three years and information about alternatives.

Visit replacethewaste.sa.gov.au and register to be kept up to date.

FEEDBACK AND INFORMATION

Website: replacethewaste.sa.gov.au

FAQs: replacethewaste.sa.gov.au/single-use-plastic-faqs

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