

2022 Bainbridge Island Low-Waste Celebrate Bainbridge!

Required Types of Vendor Tableware

Bainbridge Island Zero Waste volunteers, the event organizers, and the City of Bainbridge Island work hard to make sure this event creates as little trash as possible by having water refill stations and by requiring you, the vendor, to serve food in compostable tableware, as described below. Your customers love not having to trash your service ware, which is only possible when you use compostable tableware that is compatible with our disposal system.

The City of Bainbridge Island passed an ordinance effective January 1, 2022, that requires all lids, cups, straws/stirrers, utensils and condiments be kept out of customer reach. You may not automatically provide these items (except for cups and hot beverage lids). You must ask the customer, or they must request them before you give them out. (This does not apply to napkins.)

WOODEN UTENSILS are required. If you want to purchase from Zero Waste for this event only, we sell for (a subsidized) \$3/sleeve of 100. Please order from us 3 weeks beforehand so we will have enough stock.

Please email or call us with any questions: bizerowaste@sustainablebainbridge.org, 206-855-9687.

DO NOT USE any kind of COMPOSTABLE PLASTIC, including utensils, cups, clamshells, bowls or portion cups. Our commercial compost facility does not accept compostable plastic. **Use compostable fiber** instead. Find **acceptable compostable fiber** products on this [Compost Manufacturers Alliance \(CMA\) link](#) or this [Biodegradable Products Institute link](#) but **DO NOT BUY any compostable plastic** listed on either link for our event.

PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING:

Cold Cups – Any clear kind will be trashed. We prefer you use compostable fiber cups. Compostable fiber cups are unlined, wax-lined or PLA-lined. (Make sure they are [BPI](#) or [CMA-certified](#) compostable).

Hot Cups - Compostable fiber cups ([BPI](#) or [CMA-certified](#))

Tableware - **Use certified compostable fiber** for plates, bowls, deli paper and portion cups. **No compostable plastic.**

Instead of portion cups, we encourage dispensing condiments in bulk.

Please try to avoid foil and use compostable paper instead.

Cold cup lids & straws – You may serve only on request; lids and non-paper straws will be landfilled.

Utensils – **WOODEN ONES REQUIRED.** See yellow highlight above.

Napkins – Paper ones are compostable. Please do not give out wipes.

Food waste - Bring your food prep waste (no plastic gloves mixed in!) to a discard station green-lidded compost cart.

Corrugated cardboard - Throw flattened corrugated boxes in designated cardboard dumpsters at either end of the street. Note: Soda boxes are not corrugated and go in the mixed recycling dumpster or blue-lidded carts.

Plastic bag packaging – Keep your shaken-out bread bags, ice bags and bulk drink wrap separate from trash. We will pick up and later take to local grocery stores' recycling bins.

Cooking grease and oil – Please pack it out. It is prohibited by law to pour down the street drain. Note: There is a cooking oil recovery station at the Bainbridge Disposal Transfer Station.

We sincerely thank you for your cooperation, support, and participation in this event.

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