

San Luis Obispo County Integrated Waste Management Authority

Polystyrene Ordinance

A New Ordinance Affecting **ALL** SLO County Businesses Using Polystyrene Begins April 9, 2020



Applies to:

- Food and beverage providers
- Non-profits, churches and clubs
- Stores and businesses which sell/offer goods, services, or merchandise utilizing “to-go” or “dine-in” food and beverage containers
- Contractors and event promoters who use “to-go” or “dine-in” food and beverage containers

Prohibited Materials Include:

Resin #6 polystyrene or expanded polystyrene:

- Clamshells, bowls, plates, utensils, trays, wrappers, platters, condiment containers, cartons, cups, drink ware, ice chests, shipping boxes, packing peanuts, straws, non-encapsulated marine devices or other packaging materials.

Accepted Materials Include:

Containers which are:

- Reusable
- Recyclable
- Biodegradable



Reusable



Recyclable Aluminum



Recyclable Polypropylene

Exemptions:

Businesses must provide documentation and file for an exemption

- Undue hardship, affordability, public health, safety, medical
- Visit: IWMA.com/polyexemptions

Visit: IWMA.com/polyreplacements for lists and links of replacement products



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Dear Food and Beverage Provider, Manager, Non-Profit, Owner, Purchaser or Green Leader,

We are committed to assisting you in making an efficient transition to comply with San Luis Obispo County Integrated Waste Management Authority (IWMA) Ordinance No. 2019-1 Regulating Polystyrene and Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) Food Containers and Products.

Compliant Product Options – Food and Beverage Service Ware Alternatives

This list is being provided as a courtesy to help you transition, IWMA is not recommending any one vendor nor can we provide references. If you are a vendor who would like to be on this list, please contact us!

Vendor Name	Website / Phone	Products Available
Amazon	Amazon	Reusable, recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies
Better Brands Food Products	Better Brands Food Products 831-724-7243	Reusable, recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies
Costco	Costco 805-541-7000	Reusable, recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies
earthchoice	earthchoice 847-482-2000	Reusable, recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies
Eco Products Store	Eco Products Store 888-679-7845	Recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies made from post-consumer recycled material
Genpak	Genpak 800-626-6695	Reusable, recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies
Good Start Packaging	Good Start Packaging 866-971-9251	Reusable, recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies
Green Paper Products	Green Paper Products 877-341-5464	Biodegradable tableware and other supplies
PJP Marketplace	PJP Marketplace 800-757-1268	Reusable, recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies
Preserve	Preserve 888-354-7296	Reusable, recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies
San Luis Paper	San Luis Paper 805-544-5656	Reusable, recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies
Smart & Final	Smart & Final 5 Locations in SLO County	Reusable, recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies
Sysco Earth Plus	Sysco	Reusable, recyclable, and biodegradable food ware and other supplies
Webstaurant Store	Webstaurant Store Live Chat	Biodegradable dinnerware & serving ware

Compliant Product Options – Other Resin Code #6 Polystyrene or EPS Alternatives

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Vendor Name	Website / Phone	Products Available
Amazon	Amazon	Biodegradable coolers and shipping solutions
EarthAware	EarthAware 773-478-6001	Biodegradable packing material
EcoEnclose	EcoEnclose 888-445-6575	Recyclable, and biodegradable shipping solutions
Igloo	Igloo	Biodegradable cooler
Papermart	Paper Mart 800-745-8800	Recyclable, and biodegradable shipping and paper supplies
Recyc cooler	Recyc cooler 888-9-RECYCOOL	Reusable and recyclable coolers
Uline	Uline 800-295-5510	Biodegradable packing peanuts
Vericool packaging	vericool packaging 925-574-7888	Recyclable thermal coolers