

Vendor's Guide to Acceptable Food Service-Ware

1. All food service-ware must be third-party certified compostable, or paper:
 - a. Compostable materials must have the "BPI Certified" seal of approval:
<http://products.bpiworld.org/>
 - b. ASTM International is also acceptable.
 - i. Look for products listed as ASTM D6400 or ASTM D6868.
 - ii. ASTM certification is found in the product description.
 - c. Paper bags cannot be lined with any waxy coating or clear plastic windows.
Try to purchase paper bags made from recycled content.
2. These labels ***do not*** verify a product is compostable:
 - a. "Made from Plants" - NO
 - b. "Made from Plant Starch" - NO
 - c. "Biodegradable" - NO
 - d. "Eco-Friendly" - NO
 - e. "Earth Friendly" - NO
 - f. "Green" or "Bio" - NO
3. **Uncoated** paper items do not need a compostable certification:
 - a. Paper bags (no lining or plastic windows)
 - b. Uncoated paper plates
 - c. Paper straws
 - d. Paper napkins & towels
4. Plastic handle bags are not allowed. Compostable, or paper bags should be used.
5. Aluminum foil and plastic cling wrap is not allowed. Paper wrap is highly encouraged.



Product Supplier Options:

- EverGreen ZeroWaste: evergreenzerowaste.com/compostable-products
 - a. A local supplier of Certified compostable products and have been a longtime partner in the City of Aspen's goal of zero waste events.
 - b. All their products are BPI certified 100% compostable.
 - c. They can deliver products directly to your booth at the Saturday market.
 - d. They offer discounts on Eco Products items to their customers.
- Eco Products: <https://www.ecoproductsstore.com/>
 - a. This producer sells both compostable and plastic products.
Order carefully by searching for compostable products, the description must include 'BPI Certified'.
- World Centric: <https://store.worldcentric.com/store>
- You're welcome to use any other supplier you find that produces certified BPI compostable materials.



***Please be careful when ordering from suppliers other than EverGreen ZeroWaste as many other producers carry non-compostable items that are not allowed.**

Examples of Compostable Products



If you are unsure the product you are considering is certified compostable, search for it here: <http://products.bpiworld.org/>
Or contact waste@cityofaspenn.gov

Example Vendors-

EverGreen ZeroWaste's catalogue of Eco Products they sell here in the Valley:

<https://evergreenzerowaste.com/services/compostable-products/>

Eco Products: EverGreen ZeroWaste sells a collection of their products locally

<https://www.ecoproductsstore.com/>

World Centric:

<https://store.worldcentric.com/store>