



APPENDIX C – Single Use Plastics

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Why is the Garrison Night Market phasing out single-use plastics?

With the onset on the Federal Government Single-Use Plastics Prohibition Regulations to address pollution and a target of zero plastic waste by 2030, the Garrison Night Market is making steps to make this goal a reality.

What single-use plastic items will remain in use at the GNM?

- Plastic packaging on food items such as dairy, meat and seafood
- Plastic packaging on frozen and vacuum sealed items (i.e. soups, dried fruit)
- Resealable plastic containers (eg. dips)

These items will remain in circulation due to public health regulations, certain food items cannot be sold without packaging such as dairy, meat and seafood.

What single use plastic items are being phased out at the GNM and when?

June 2024:

- Plastic shopping bags
- Plastic wrappers for baked goods
- Food containers
- Cutlery (forks, spoons, knives)
- Straws
- Plastic packaging for artisans
- Desserts (shaved ice and ice cream)

June 2025:

- Drink containers
- Bubble tea straws

How does this affect vendors?

We recognize that this shift to phase out single-use plastics will impact the operation of many of our vendors. This is a major shift that requires everyone to contribute to the solution, we are committed to working with our vendors as well as calling upon our shoppers as the most important stakeholder group that can support this change.

Are vendors allowed to use bioplastics?

Bioplastics/compostable plastics will not be accepted as a substitute for plastic clamshell containers and plastic bags. The City of Fredericton does not accept bioplastics/compostable

plastics as it does not have a compost or recycling system, making it not possible to dispose of these items properly.

Additional Resources

Government of Canada - Single -Use Plastics Prohibition Regulations

<https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/managing-reducing-waste/reduce-plastic-waste/single-use-plastic-overview.html>

Please see the following for resources to food container options:

<https://www.greenmunch.ca/compostable-dinnerware/>

<https://www.cagreen.ca/Single+Wall+Hot+Cups-0>

<http://www.bluewarecompostables.com/>