

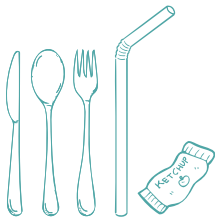
## NEW RULES FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

Whether you're a first-time event planner or a seasoned pro, here's a list of new state and local laws that may apply to you as a special event producer operating in the City of Carlsbad.

### Skip the Stuff

June 1, 2022

Vendors to provide single-use utensils, straws and condiments packets upon request only.  
(AB 1276)



### Organic Composting

Jan. 1, 2022

Vendors to provide new, separate bins for food scraps.  
(SB 1383)



### Single-Use Plastic Ban

July 1, 2023

Vendors to provide reusable or certified compostable or marine degradable foodware.  
(City Ordinance)



### Plastic Bag Ban

July 1, 2023

No plastic bags from retail vendors (July 1, 2023) or food vendors (July 1, 2024).  
(City Ordinance)



### Ballon Release Ban

July 1, 2023

No intentional release of balloons.  
(City Ordinance)



### Plastic Bottle Ban

July 1, 2023

No plastic beverage bottles at city facilities and city permitted events.  
(City Ordinance)



# Sustainable Carlsbad

## Tips for hosting a sustainable Carlsbad event!



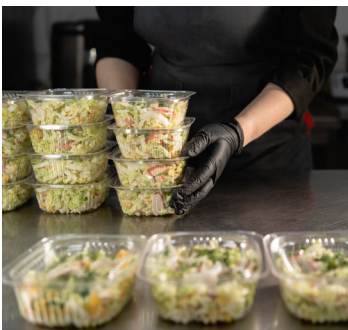
### 1 Pre-Event

- Educate event staff, attendees and volunteers on the new rules and regulations.
- Ensure your food, retail vendors and sponsors use only certified compostable or reusable items.
- Incorporate organic waste into your event waste management plan.\*
- Consider hiring a third-party waste and recycling contractor familiar with the city's new requirements.
- Ask attendees to bring their own reusable water bottles.



### 2 During Event

- Provide separate bins and clear signage for food waste, recycling and trash in high traffic areas.
- Only offer single-use plastic utensils, straws and condiments upon request. On July 1, 2023, then only compostable or marine degradable.
- Implement a day-of recycling and waste station monitoring plan.
- Monitor vendors and partner compliance throughout the event.
- Have a water bottle refill station.



### 3 Post Event

- Communicate your successful sustainable efforts with your attendees, staff and partners.
- Deliver excess, edible food to a partner food recovery organizations.\*
- Dispose of food waste, recycling and trash in the proper location.
- Document your sustainability best practices for your next event.

\* Required for events with over 2,000 participants or an entry fee.

**The City of Carlsbad is here to help.**

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