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Working to Build Zero Waste Communities

Hello Lafayette Peach Festival Vendors,

Thank you for choosing to enrich our community and help our environment through your commitment to Zero Waste. As many of you know, the Lafayette Peach Festival has a long history of being a model Zero Waste Event, which is a fact that we all can take pride in. The goal of a Zero Waste is to minimize the overall waste that we produce and send Zero Waste to the landfill. We accomplish this goal by making sure that we recover as much recyclable and compostable material as we possibly can.

As vendors at the Lafayette Peach Festival you are the most important piece to this puzzle because the products that you distribute are the resources that we are recovering. Essentially we can break down our resource recovery process into two parts; compost, things that turn into soil, and recyclables, things that can be recycled into new products.

When purchasing products for food distribution I would like you to ask yourself these questions; Is this product Certified Compostable? Or can this product be recycled in Boulder County? If the answer to either of those questions is no, then you should not distribute food in that product.

The market place for compostable products is difficult to navigate, between new products and new regulations this market is ever changing. Many products on the market make claims to be eco-friendly, or earth friendly but that does not mean they are compostable. Companies have recognized that putting “Eco” or “Earth” or “Enviro” in the name of their products makes them more attractive to people looking for an environmentally friendly product, we call this “Greenwashing.” To avoid purchasing “Greenwashed” products always look for the “Biodegradable Products Institute (BPI) Certification” right on the box. It looks like this:



Recyclable items are a bit easier to recognize and you can find a full recycling guideline on our website at www.ecocycle.org. The most important thing to remember when choosing a recyclable item is, the triangle symbol on the bottom tells you what type of material this product is made from, it has nothing to do with whether or not that item can be recycled.

Please take a look at the Zero Waste Vendor Agreement and purchasing guide on the next pages for additional guidance. Please contact me directly at (303)444-6634 x123 if you have any questions. Thank you for helping make the Lafayette Peach Festival Zero Waste!

Sincerely,

Steve Cavanaugh

Eco-Cycle, Zero Waste Event Coordinator

100% Zero Waste Participation Agreement

Dear Vendor:

Thank you for your interest in participating at the *Lafayette Peach Festival*. We are proud to announce that with the help of Eco-Cycle, this event will be a **Zero Waste Event**.

The goal of a Zero Waste event is to **divert as much waste from the landfill as possible**. We accomplish this by coordinating with vendors and event planners to ensure that all distributed materials and products are locally recyclable, compostable, or reusable! We have included a list of appropriate food distribution products. As a vendor **you are the key** to the success of our Zero Waste initiative.

Vendors will be Responsible for:

-Purchasing Certified Compostable materials for food and other distribution needs at this Zero Waste Event. *(for acceptable materials guide see list below, call 303-444-6634 x123 or visit www.ecocycle.org for more information)*

-Purchasing LOCALLY recyclable materials for food and other distribution needs at this Zero Waste Event. *(for acceptable materials guide see list below, call 303-444-6634 x123 or visit www.ecocycle.org for more information)*

-Bringing back-of-house waste to a Zero-Waste Station and sorting that waste with assistance from an Eco-Cycle staff member.

Guidelines to Containers and Service Ware for Zero Waste Events

Acceptable	Not Acceptable
All paper containers including plates, napkins, paper towels, sample cups, and bags. <i>NO PLASTIC LINING</i>	Plastic coated paper products are not acceptable.
Waxed paper products are acceptable. <i>Be sure they are WAX-coated not plastic-coated.</i>	Styrofoam is not recyclable <u>despite any recycling symbols on the product.</u>
Plastic bottles greater than 6 oz, Rigid Plastic #2 & #5 souvenir cups.	Plastic Cups are not recyclable . All tubs and bottles that are smaller than 6oz are not recyclable ex: "5-hr energy shots"
Certified Compostable Products: corn starch Cutlery, Cups, and straws that are labeled "BPI Certified Compostable" #7 PLA (see acceptable materials list on next page)	Plastic utensils and plastic straws.
Wooden stir-sticks, chopsticks, toothpicks and skewers.	Plastic stir sticks, plastic chopsticks, plastic toothpicks or plastic skewers.
Aluminum foil and cans. Paper drink cartons	Foil drink pouches. Plastic bags and wraps.
Glass bottles and jars. Paper milk cartons.	Plastic lids from jar, tub, and cups .

Please call Eco-Cycle's Zero Waste Event Coordinator at 303-444-6634 x123 to help you distinguish and obtain Zero Waste materials.

Purchasing Guideline

Resources:

Note: These sites are full of useful, educational information on composting and compostable products. Browse through them to learn more about compostable products.

<http://www.bpiworld.org/BPI-Public/Approved/1.html> (list of every BPI Certified Compostable product)

<http://cedar-grove.com/about-us> (educational material)

<http://www.cedar-grove.com/commercial/accepted-items/> (list of compostable items)

<http://www.natureworksllc.com/> (maker of Ingeo-Biopolymer PLA, the compostable plastic)

<http://www.natureworksllc.com/Where-to-Buy/Ingeo-Biopolymer.aspx>

<http://www.ecoproducts.com/> (Local compostable product producer)

Acceptable Compostable Materials:

Product	Product Manufacture	Product Name	Styles and Sizes
Cold Cup	Eco-Products	GreenStripe Compostable Cup	9oz, 12oz, 16oz, 20oz
Hot Cup	Eco-Products	Greenstripe Compostable Hot Cup	9oz, 12oz, 16oz, 20oz
Straws	Eco-Products	PLA Straws	9 ½ inch and 7 ¾ inch
Cutlery	Eco-Products	Plantware Compostable Cutlery	Forks, Knives, Spoons
Plates	Eco-Products	Sugarcane Compostable Plate	6", 10", 10"3-compartment
Bowls	Eco-Products	Sugarcane Compostable Bowl	12oz, 16oz, 40oz
Napkins	Most paper napkins are compostable. Be certain they are not plastic coated		
IMPORTANT: IF YOU WANT TO PURCHASE COMPOSTABLE PRODUCTS THAT ARE NOT ON THIS LIST YOU MUST HAVE THEM VERIFIED BY ECO-CYCLE PIOR TO PURCHASING. CALL (303)-444-6634 x123 OR EMAIL STEVE@ECOCYCLE.ORG FOR VERIFICATION.			

Note: These products are available to purchase in bulk through:

Tundra Supplies

3825 Walnut St

Boulder

(303) 545-1350

Tundra Supplies http://www.etundra.com/Eco_Friendly_Disposables-C49601.html

Zero Waste Event Vendor Order Form – These products available to purchase in smaller quantities from :

Eco-Cycle Inc., 5030 Old Pearl St., Boulder , (303)-444-6634x123 (call for special vendor pricing) steve@ecocycle.org

PRODUCT Products sold in quantities of 50 unless otherwise noted	QUANTITY (PER 50)	PRICE	TOTAL COST
Potato starch heat stable forks	_____	3.25	_____ -
Potato starch heat stable knives	_____	3.25	_____ -
Potato starch heat stable spoons	_____	3.25	_____ -
Dinner Napkins - brown	_____	1.25	_____ -
6" bagasse sturdy plates - natural white	_____	2.75	_____ -
10" bagasse sturdy plates - natural white	_____	7.50	_____ -
10" 3-compartment bagasse sturdy plates - natural white	_____	7.75	_____ -
11.5 oz. bagasse sturdy bowls - natural white	_____	4.50	_____ -
4oz PLA Portion Cups 100/pack	_____	6.00	_____ -
12 oz World Art Hot Cups	_____	4.50	_____ -
16 oz World Art Hot Cups	_____	6.50	_____ -
Compostable Hot Cup Lids	_____	4.25	_____ -
9 oz. compostable PLA cocktail cup - green strip	_____	4.75	_____ -
12 oz. compostable PLA cup - green strip	_____	5.50	_____ -
16 oz. compostable PLA cup - green strip	_____	6.50	_____ -
Compostable Cold Cup Lids 100/pack	_____	7.00	_____ -
9 1/2" Compostable Jumbo Straws 300/pack	_____	9.00	_____ -
45-gallon Bio Bag	_____	0.75	_____ -
39-gallon Recycling Bag	_____	0.50	_____ -
Sub-total			\$ -
Sales tax (8.160%)			-
Handling Fee			\$5.00
Grand total			=====

Contact and Billing Information

Date:

Business Name:

Billing Address:

Contact Name:

Contact Phone Number:

Contact Email Address:



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100% Zero Waste Participation Agreement *Signature Page*

As a vendor participating in the *Lafayette Peach Festival* I agree to distribute my product in locally recyclable or compostable service ware, per Eco-Cycle’s guidelines. I will purchase appropriate service ware in accordance to the guidelines in this document. I also agree to sort my discards at the end of the day and make use of Zero Waste stations.

IF YOU DO NOT COMPLY YOUR BOOTH WILL BE SHUT DOWN

Please clearly list all items you will be distributing and the materials associated with those items:

Please include Manufacturer and Product name.

Food Item	Product Manufacture	Product Name
<i>Hamburger</i>	<i>Eco-Products</i>	<i>Sugarcane Paper Plate</i>
<i>Lemonade</i>	<i>Eco-Products</i>	<i>Green Stripe Compostable Cup</i>
<i>Soda</i>	<i>Coca-Cola</i>	<i>Aluminum Can</i>

_____	_____
Business Name	Employee (print name)
_____	_____
Phone Number	E-mail Address
_____	_____
Signature	Date

Please submit signed agreement along with your vendor registration
For additional information on Compostable and Recyclable items please contact:

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