



Single-Use Plastics and Polystyrene Proposed Ordinance

Fact sheet

What does the proposed ordinance include?

The proposed ordinance will prohibit the use, sale and distribution of all single-use plastic and polystyrene items within the City of Beverly Hills.

Why adopt this ordinance?

Plastic and polystyrene pollution is an environmental and human health hazard. The EPA and World Health Organization have identified polystyrene as a human carcinogen, and plastic is a by-product of processing oil, which is a significant producer of green house gas (GHG) emissions and a major contributor to climate change.

Who will be impacted?

Retail stores, grocery stores, drive-throughs, supermarkets, cafes, coffee shops, snack shops, public food markets, farmers markets, convenience stores, Retail stores, hotels, pharmacies, and food service establishments.

What is the timeline?

| Phases of Implementation | |
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| Phase 1 | The local government of Beverly Hills will have 6 months after the approval of the ordinance to comply |
| Phase 2 | Retail stores, hotels, food service establishments, and pharmacies in Beverly Hills will have 1 year after the approval of the ordinance to comply. |

What items will be prohibited?

- Polystyrene coolers
- Polystyrene produce trays
- Plastic straws
- Plastic stirrers
- Plastic utensils
- Plastic or polystyrene food/beverage containers
- Plastic bags

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