

What You Need to Know About Victoria's Checkout Bag Regulation Bylaw

Starting July 1, 2018 businesses in Victoria will no longer be providing single-use plastic checkout bags. Encourage your guests to bring a reusable bag ashore by placing a notice in your daily newsletter.

Daily Newsletter Content

Victoria is one of the greenest ports in the world, which is why single-use plastic checkout bags are no longer provided for purchases. Remember to bring a reusable bag ashore if you're planning on going shopping! You can also purchase paper or reusable bags while shopping.

What's New

These changes are being introduced as part of the City of Victoria's new Checkout Bag Regulation Bylaw.

This new bylaw intends to reduce plastic bag litter and waste in our community and our landfill.

Businesses may provide paper checkout bags for a minimum charge of 15 cents per bag (rising to 25 cents on July 1, 2019), and reusable checkout bags for a minimum charge of \$1 per bag (rising to \$2 in 2019).



Synthetic fabric



Cotton



Other natural fabrics

Reusable Checkout Bag Examples

There are many types of reusable checkout bags that are designed to be capable of at least 100 uses. Examples of durable and reusable bag materials include:

- ✓ Synthetic fabrics like nylon, polyester and polypropylene (non-woven and woven polypropylene)
- ✓ Cotton or recycled cotton
- ✓ Other natural fabrics (e.g. hemp, jute)

What to Consider When Choosing a Reusable Bag

The ideal reusable bag is made from sustainable materials, is durable and is easily recycled or repurposed.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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Victoria!

Bring your
own bag.



Businesses are no longer providing
plastic checkout bags.

Reusable and paper bags are
available for purchase.

NEW CITY BYLAW EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018



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