



Single-use plastic items ban

From **1 September 2021**, the Queensland Government has banned the supply of single-use plastic straws, stirrers, plates, bowls, cutlery and expanded polystyrene takeaway food containers and cups.



What's not included in the ban

Tuckshops can continue to sell shelf-ready, pre-packaged items that have an attached single-use plastic straw or cutlery item, for example:

- juice drink with attached straw
- tuna tin with attached fork
- noodle container with attached stirrer.



Single-use alternatives which contain compostable plastics must meet one of the following Australian Standards:

- AS 5810-2010 Biodegradable Plastics—Biodegradable Plastics Suitable for Home Composting

or

- AS 4736-2006 Biodegradable Plastics Suitable for Composting and Other Microbial Treatment.

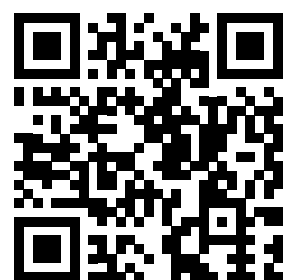
Information for schools

An exemption is available for schools to ensure students and staff with disability or healthcare needs can access the banned items that they need while at school or during school activities.

Schools are responsible for managing the distribution of single-use plastic items to students and staff who require them.

Ancillary and commercial activities should not be designated as the location to distribute single-use plastic items.

Find out more about the ban
www.qld.gov.au/plasticsban



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