

NORWALK BAG ORDINANCE EFFECTIVE JULY 8, 2019

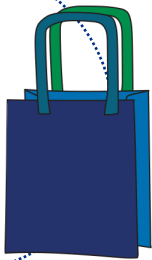
The Norwalk Common Council unanimously passed the Carryout Bag Ordinance on January 8, 2019. The Ordinance prohibits the use of plastic carryout bags and provides for a 10 cent charge for carryout bags made of paper. The Ordinance applies to any person, business or non-profit entity that sells or provides merchandise, goods, food and beverages, or materials operating in the City of Norwalk.

This Ordinance is a positive first step in reducing the city's plastic footprint. Plastic bags are no longer accepted for recycling and 100,000 end up in Long Island Sound each year. Encouraging customers to choose to reuse by limiting plastic bags benefits our health and helps protect and enhance the beauty of our waterfront community.

At-a-glance reference guide:

Compliant carryout bags

Reusable bags



Bags from home

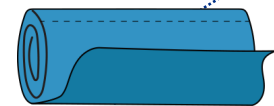


Recycled paper bags



Bags not affected

Bags used to wrap or contain



Bulk items such as produce, nuts, grains, candy or small hardware items; meat or fish; flowers or potted plants; unwrapped prepared foods or bakery goods; and small items such as medicines



Newspapers

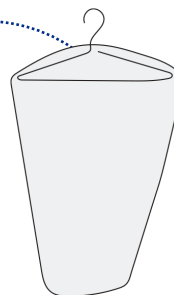


Packages of multiple bags

Bags used for garbage, pet waste, or yard waste



Dry cleaning



For more information, call Norwalk Customer Service at (203) 854-3200 or visit norwalkct.org/bag

