

for Eating Establishments in Alameda County









Bag Law for Alameda County Eating Establishments

- Eating establishments in Alameda County cannot offer customers single-use plastic bags.
- Your eating establishment can offer customers recycled content paper bags for free. If you are already using compliant paper bags, no additional action is needed.
- If your eating establishment offers reusable bags (including thick, reusable plastic) you must charge customers at least 10 cents and itemize the charge on the printed/digital receipt. Your business keeps the revenue; it is not collected or subject to sales tax.
- The law applies only to carry out bags. Plastic bags without handles that are used to prevent spilling (such as around containers of soup) are allowed, when placed into a compliant bag with other items.
- The law applies to all businesses selling prepared food and beverages to the public, including restaurants, bars, cafés, food trucks, bakeries, cafeterias, and food delivery services.



