

How to Shop Without a Plastic Bag

TIPS

Bring reusable bags for produce, bread, and bulk instead of reaching for the disposable plastic bags.

Bring and reuse plastic bags for leaky meat products. There is no shortage of plastic bags in NYC!

Use mesh fabric bags to hold big items, like apples and oranges.

Use tight weave fabric bags for bulk, like rice, salt, and flour, and for delicate produce, like salad greens.

Forgo the bag. Hardy produce, like carrots and potatoes, don't require a bag at all. You're gonna wash those fruits and veggies anyway. Just place them in your shopping cart.

Buy an inexpensive fabric bag. Forgot your bags? Reusable bags are available for purchase in the bulk and produce aisles.

Learn more about phasing out plastic roll bags at:

ecokvetch.blogspot.com

Proposal: Phase Out Plastic Bag Rolls

In an effort to uphold the PSFC's Environmental Policy, the Environmental Committee and other concerned members have submitted a proposal to phase out disposable plastic bag rolls on the shopping floor.

Please support this effort!

Add your name to the list of supporters.

Voice your support at the General Meetings.

Tell five members about this proposal and ask for their support.

Read the full proposal at:
ecokvetch.blogspot.com

What's wrong with plastic?



"Disposable" Financial Waste

We spend over \$33K a year on 3.5 million plastic produce & bulk bags. That's a big contribution to the oil, gas, and chemical corporations.



Environmental Devastation

Plastic is not part of the natural life cycle. Made from non-renewable and rapidly declining resources, plastic NEVER biodegrades.



Health Toxicity

A myriad of toxic, synthetic chemicals go into the manufacture of plastics and continue to leach into our food, water and soil during and after use.



Social Injustice

Low-income families often work in the plastic manufacturing and recycling industry. Toxic air, asthma, and a high rate of cancer death are the norm.