

## Zero Waste Event

Auckland Council has an aspirational goal of zero waste by 2040. That means by recycling, composting food waste, reusing items and preventing waste in the first place.

All Council events are now Zero Waste. A Zero Waste event is one where careful consideration is given to the products used on-site and where these end up post event. Planning in this matter may result in items being recycled, composted or avoided altogether. This approach encourages organisers and stallholders to design an event that generates less waste, and/or the right kind of waste for reuse. It also involves educating patrons and raising environmental awareness about waste production and disposal.

## Packaging Suppliers

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### Attwoods

Freephone: 0800 PACK IT (0800 722 548)  
Website: [www.attwoods.co.nz](http://www.attwoods.co.nz)  
(Paper bags)

### Ayrpak

Freephone: 0800 465 666  
Email: [info@ayrpak.co.nz](mailto:info@ayrpak.co.nz)  
Website: [www.ayrpak.co.nz](http://www.ayrpak.co.nz)  
(Compostable plates, bowls, paper bags, cups, clamshells, recycled cardboard shelving)

### BCS Foodpak Ltd

Showroom: Unit C, 57  
McLaughlins Road, Manukau  
Telephone: 09 277 0104  
Email: [info@bcsfoodpak.co.nz](mailto:info@bcsfoodpak.co.nz)  
Website: [www.bcsfoodpak.co.nz](http://www.bcsfoodpak.co.nz)  
(Wooden cutlery, cones, cups and plates)

### BioPak

Telephone: 0800246725  
Email: [info@biopak.co.nz](mailto:info@biopak.co.nz)  
Website: [www.biopak.co.nz](http://www.biopak.co.nz)  
Online Store: [www.biopakshopnz.com](http://www.biopakshopnz.com)  
(Comprehensive range of compostable packaging including Bags, Cutlery, Containers, Napkins, Plates, and Bowls)

### Ecoware

Freephone: 0800 GO 4 ECO (0800 464 326)  
Email: [hello@ecoware.co.nz](mailto:hello@ecoware.co.nz)  
Website: [www.ecoware.co.nz](http://www.ecoware.co.nz)  
Compostable cups, cutlery, clamshells, plates, bowls, napkins, lids, food boxes

### Eden Enterprises

116 Cook Street  
New Plymouth 4310  
Telephone: (06) 751 3229  
Website: [www.edengreennz.com](http://www.edengreennz.com)  
(Corn starch products, plates, cups, bowls, straws, bags, etc.  
Products range & prices available online.)

### Epicure Trading Limited

Pauline Moore  
Telephone: 09 377 8925  
Website: [www.epicuretrading.co.nz](http://www.epicuretrading.co.nz)  
(Range of Compostable packaging)

### Friendlypak

Box 83 132, Edmonton, Auckland  
Telephone: 09 834 5340  
Mobile: 027 410 4344  
Email: [Kevin@friendlypak.co.nz](mailto:Kevin@friendlypak.co.nz)  
Website: [www.friendlypak.co.nz](http://www.friendlypak.co.nz)  
(Compostable cornstarch bags, potatopak plates, bowls etc, PLA lined paper cups)

### Gilmours

Freephone: 0900 270 414  
Email: [orders@gilmours.co.nz](mailto:orders@gilmours.co.nz)  
Website: [www.gilmours.co.nz](http://www.gilmours.co.nz)  
(Compostable packaging, napkins, bags)

### Huhtamaki

Cathy Lundie  
Mobile: 021 755 890  
Website: [www2.huhtamaki.com](http://www2.huhtamaki.com)  
(Compostable cups, plates, cutlery and burger box)

### Innocent Packaging

Telephone: 09 523 3870  
Email: [info@innocentpackaging.co.nz](mailto:info@innocentpackaging.co.nz)  
Website: [www.innocentpackaging.co.nz](http://www.innocentpackaging.co.nz)  
(Compostable cups, cutlery, clamshells, plates, soup bowls, noodle boxes, napkins, lids, straws)

### Potatopak NZ Ltd

P O Box 746  
Blenheim 7240  
Telephone: (03) 572 8977  
Website: [www.potatopak.com](http://www.potatopak.com)  
(100% Compostable potato starch products, plates, bowls, punnets, trays, cutlery etc. Products range & prices available online.)

### NZ Safety Blackwoods (previously Packaging House)

91 Kerrs Road, Wiri, Auckland  
Telephone: 09 263 1150  
Website: [PackagingandHygiene@nz-safety-blackwoods.co.nz](mailto:PackagingandHygiene@nz-safety-blackwoods.co.nz)  
(Full range of compostable, bio-based and paper-based food packaging options including bags, liners, containers, boxes, cups and cutlery)

### One Stop Pak

Telephone: (09) 276 8606  
Email: [info@onestoppak.co.nz](mailto:info@onestoppak.co.nz)  
Website: [www.onestoppak.co.nz](http://www.onestoppak.co.nz)

# Zero Waste Event Guidelines for Stallholders and Vendors



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## Guidelines for stallholders and vendors

The event you are trading at is Zero Waste. A Zero Waste Event is one that generates less waste, and/or the right kind of waste for reuse. This means your food and beverage must be supplied in compostable packaging.

This guide outlines information about compostable packaging and lists compostable packaging suppliers.

### Product types:

Ensure use of the right products types. Here are some simple rules; Items made from natural materials such as wood and unbleached paper will compost. If items are made from plastic, such as cutlery, or have a plastic lining, such as coffee cups, ensure you use compostable products certified to a European Union or Australian standard. **DO NOT USE** uncertified products.

### IMPORTANT:

Sending incorrect products to the composting facility will contaminate their end product. If a truckload has too much non-compostable material, it could result in;

- The truckload being directed to landfill
- The event receiving a fine from the service provider
- A load to landfill fee

The list below provides examples of compostable products. Such products do not always cost more. You can also save money by using less or simpler packaging such as paper napkins, or bags instead of boxes.

Note: The products shown here are for information purposes only, and no endorsement of any of the products or suppliers by Auckland Council is implied or expressed.

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| <p>Paper bags</p>  | <p>Kraft paper bags, flat or with handle</p> | <p>Bags are ideally made from recycled paper and are non-bleached or dyed. Fully compostable. Water based ink stamp to brand bags if necessary.</p> |
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| <p>Wrap/Pouches</p>                                   | <p>Sandwich wrap with vegetable wax coated paper, or hot &amp; crispy pouch special designed composted pouches to keep food hot</p> | <p>Replaces non-recyclable tin foil used in food servers, Paper based product can be processed through any composting environments.</p>                    |
| <p>Napkins</p>                                        | <p>Recycled paper napkins, natural coloured</p>   | <p>Preferred for composting over coloured napkins. Extremely cost effective.</p>   |
| <p>Wooden Cutlery</p>                                  | <p>Wooden or bamboo knives, forks, spoons and chopsticks</p>  | <p>Pine cutlery is the easiest of the cutlery products to break down in composting and at a very competitive price.</p>                                    |
| <p>Compostable PLA Cutlery (looks like plastic)</p>  | <p>Compostable knives, forks, and spoons</p>  | <p>Made from Plant based PLA they can be used in hot and cold foods and are designed to break down in commercial composting processes.</p>                 |
| <p>Lined paper cups and moulded paper cups</p>       | <p>Compostable cups</p>   | <p>Looks and perform like regular paper cups that have a thin plant based plastic PLA lining or made from recycled paper and are non-bleached or dyed.</p> |

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| <p>Drinking Straws</p>  | <p>Paper drinking straws</p>                                      | <p>Paper straws are made from food grade recycled paper with soy-based inks that could be composted.</p>   |
| <p>Cup holder</p>       | <p>Made from recycled pulp</p>                                    | <p>Ideally made from recycled paper and non-bleached or dyed. Fully compostable in any environment including home composting and worm farms. Widely available from most packaging suppliers.</p> |
| <p>Clamshells</p>       | <p>Range of compostable pressed fibre clamshells</p>              | <p>Made from sugarcane. Wheat straws or paper pulps that are unlined and are compostable in commercial processes.</p>  |
| <p>Bowls</p>          | <p>Single wall PLA hot or cold bowls (preferred without lids)</p> | <p>Inside lined with PLA can readily break down in commercial composting facilities.</p>   |
| <p>Shallow boxes</p>  | <p>Noodles or salad shallow box with water-based lining.</p>      | <p>Water based lining that could be composted.</p>   |