WASTE WISE EVENTS



A guide to help vendors be plastic free

<u>Aus Certified</u> Compostable coffee cups & lids

Reusable metal or paper straws



Compostable packaging

Paper or reusable bags & boxes



Compostable cutlery

Compostable cups & lids



Sauce bottles & compostable cups

Plastic lined coffee cup or lids

Plastic straws



Plastic & polystyrene packaging

Plastic bags

Plastic cutlery

Plastic or plastic lined cups & lids



Plastic condiment & sauce sachets

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Balloons are not permitted

Balloons are a great promotional item, but they are highly mobile and can have a devastating effect on wildlife.

Council **does not permit** balloons or other plastic product releases (confetti, glitter, etc) at events held on Council land and encourages all event venues and event organisers to do the same.





Check Your Merch

With increasing consumer awareness, we recommend all marketing merchandise, including product giveaways, be discussed with event organisers. Single use plastic merchandise is **not permitted** at our events/venues.

This is to ensure promotional items do not compromise Council's environmental goals.

Promote Your Eco-Friendly Actions

Consumer research shows most event patrons are willing to pay a few cents more for environmentally friendly packaging. So crunch some numbers, substitute your single-use plastics for greener alternatives, promote what you are doing with some simple signage at the point of sale and <u>sign up</u> to <u>plasticfreecairns.org</u>





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Waste Wise Tools - Organising Sustainable Events



Place clearly labelled recycling and waste bins side by side

Contact <u>sustainability@cairns.qld.gov.au</u> to <u>loan bin signs</u> like these for **free!**

Provide water refill stations for patrons to BYO water bottles

Contact <u>sustainability@cairns.qld.gov.au</u> to <u>loan temporary water refill stations</u>like these for **free!**



Wash against waste



Running a <u>Wash Against Waste</u> system at your next event can eliminate waste and litter from single-use eating and drinking utensils. It is one of the most effective ways you can make your event more environmentally friendly.

Contact <u>sustainability@cairns.qld.gov.au</u> for more info