



## CURRENT STATUS OF PLASTIC LEGISLATION - JULY 2022

		ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST	NZ
<b>GENERAL</b>	Items in pre-packaged food/bev products	exempt	exempt		exempt	Mar-25		exempt			
<b>UTENSILS</b>	Plastic straws	Jul-22	Nov-22		Sep-21	Mar-21	Hobart only	Feb-23	Jul-22		mid 2023
	Plastic cutlery	Jul-21	Nov-22		Sep-21	Mar-21	Hobart only	Feb-23	Jul-22		mid 2023
	Plastic stirrers	Jul-22	Nov-22		Sep-21	Mar-21	Hobart only	Feb-23	Jul-22		Oct-22
<b>FOODWARE (without lids)</b>	Plastic plates		Nov-22		Sep-21	Mar-24		Feb-23	Jul-22		mid 2023
	Plastic bowls without lids		Nov-22		Sep-21	Mar-24	Hobart only		Jul-22		mid 2023
	Plastic containers without lids					Mar-24	Hobart only		Jul-22		
	Polymer-coated paper plates/bowls				exempt	Mar-24		exempt	Jul-22		
<b>FOODWARE (with lids)</b>	Plastic bowls with lids					Mar-24	Hobart only		mid 2023		
	Plastic takeaway containers with lids					Mar-24	Hobart only		mid 2023		
	Plastic lined paper cartons (eg. noodle box)					Mar-24	Hobart only		mid 2023		
<b>DRINKWARE</b>	Plastic beverage containers (eg. bottles)	2018	2017	2012	2018	1977	2023	2023	2020		2025
	Plastic cups for cold drinks					Mar-24	Hobart only		Oct-22		
	Plastic cups for hot drinks					Mar-24	Hobart only		mid 2023		
	Plastic cup lids					Mar-24	Hobart only		mid 2023		
<b>EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE (EPS)</b>	EPS foodware	Jul-22	Nov-22		Sep-21	Mar-22		Feb-23	Jul-22	2022	Oct-22
	EPS cups	Jul-22	Nov-22		Sep-21	Mar-22		Feb-23	mid 2023	2022	
	EPS trays					Mar-25			Jul-22		
	EPS other foodware					Mar-25					
	EPS packaging								mid 2023	2025	
<b>BAGS</b>	Lightweight plastic shopping bags (<36 microns)										
	Heavyweight plastic shopping bags (>36 microns)				Sep-23	Mar-24			Jul-22		
	Paper bags with plastic laminate				Sep-23				Jul-22		
	Fabric bags				Sep-23				Jul-22		
	Paper bags				Sep-23						
	Produce/ barrier bags					Mar-23			mid 2023		mid 2023
<b>OTHER PACKAGING</b>	Plastics with 'degradable' additives	Jul-22				Mar-22			mid 2023		Oct-22
	Product packaging									2025	
	B2B packaging									2025	
	Sauce sachets						Hobart only				
	Produce labels					Mar-24					mid 2023
	Bread tags										
	Polystyrene takeaway food/bev packaging										Oct-22
	PVC pre-formed food trays and containers										Oct-22
<b>OTHER PLASTIC ITEMS</b>	Cotton buds with plastic shafts	Jul-22	Nov-22		Sep-23	Mar-23		Feb-23	mid 2023		Oct-22
	Microbeads		Nov-22						mid 2023	voluntary code	
	Balloon releases				Sep-23				Jul-22		
	Balloon ties or sticks					Mar-23					
	Balloons										
	Pizza savers					Mar-23					
	Confetti					Mar-23					
	Bait bags										

	Already banned		Banned soon		Proposed for ban / under consultation		Design standards in effect		Proposed for design standards
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