



Vendor Sustainability Guide

Thank you for joining us at the Bowen's Wharf Seafood Festival, we are so excited to have you on board. We are working with Epic Renewal and ReMix Organics to reduce our environmental footprint and all of you, the vendors, can have a huge impact on that effort.

Sourcing items from this guide is not required but strongly encouraged.

Please note the prohibited items on the final page.

The more compostable and recyclable food service ware that is used, the more we can divert from the landfill. We ask that you consider these materials in your sourcing and whichever material you choose, please follow our waste sorting guidelines when on site.

About these guidelines:

ReMix Organics will be collecting and processing our compostable materials, and our guidelines are tailored to ensure selection of products they accept in their compost stream. Even if you already use compostables in your business, please be sure to check the guidelines.

Have further questions or a specific product in mind?

If you have other specific products you would like advice on sourcing sustainably, please don't hesitate to reach out to tess@epicrenewal.org, who is happy to answer any questions, confirm the compostability of a product, or help you find or source the perfect fit.

Good to Know:

A reusable stainless steel souvenir cup is available for purchase at festival bars

Through local partnerships, all shells collected will be used in coastal restoration projects across Rhode Island.

RI State Policies:

Single-use plastic bag ban

"Straw on request" policy

'Balloon release' ban





Waste Sorting Summary

If you're ever unsure, please ask a member of our Green Team!



RECYCLING*

- Aluminum cans
- Beer bottles
- Juice cartons
- Liquor bottles
- Plastic containers and cups (#1-5)

**Please note that food residue contaminates recycling - please ensure anything heading to recycling is clean!*



COMPOST

- All food waste
- Napkins
- Paper towels
- Paper straws
- Compostable serveware matching guidelines below



LANDFILL

- Plastic straws
- Plastic utensils
- Disposable gloves
- Hard plastic cups
- Coated food boats
- PLA compostable materials (#7)
- Any plastic container or aluminum foil with food residue (especially condiment cups)



SHELLS

Oyster and clam shells have their own waste stream at this event.



ICE BAGS / FILM

Ice bags and similar film products will be recycled at this event.



Compost

All products below are accepted by [ReMix Organics](#). If you have questions about other products, please don't hesitate to contact tess@epicrenewal.org!

Suggested Compostable Products

(Click on the images to link to the product page)

Fiber, Birch
Wood, or
Bamboo Cutlery



[6" Fiber Spork](#)



[6" Birch Spoon](#)



[6" Birch Fork](#)



[6.7" Bamboo Cutlery Set](#)

Fiber Plates or
Wood Boats



[7" Fiber Plate](#)



[9" Fiber Plate](#)



[9" Fiber 3-Comp. Plate](#)



[6" Balsa Boat](#)

Fiber Bowls &
Condiment Cups



[11.5oz Fiber Bowl](#)



[12oz Fiber Bowl](#)



[2oz Fiber Condiment Cup & Lid](#)

Paper, Wheat,
or Reed Straws



[8" Paper Straw](#)



[Jumbo Paper Straws](#)



[Wheat/Reed Straws](#)

Non-dyed paper
napkins

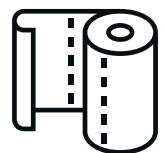
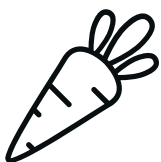


[5" Beverage Napkins \(2ply\)](#)

- All food waste
- Napkins

- Paper towels
- Paper straws

- Compostable serveware matching guidelines above





Recycling

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Suggested Recyclable Products:

(Click on the images to link to the product page)

PET Cold Cups



[9oz PET Squat Cold Cup](#)



[12oz PET Cold Cup](#)



[16oz PET Cold Cup](#)



Aluminum cans



Glass and plastic wine, beer,
and liquor bottles



Any and all
juice cartons



Clean plastic bottles, containers, and cups (#1-5)



Landfill

If you need to bring any of these products, please be sure to send them to the landfill bin.

The following items are acceptable to bring if necessary due to local availability, but **are not accepted in recycling or compost.**



Plastic-coated cups, plates, and food boats



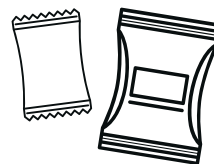
Plastic Cutlery



#7 PLA Compostable Plastics



Any non-compostable container or foil with food residue (especially condiment cups)



Chip Bags & Candy Wrappers



Rubber Bands & Twist Ties



Disposable Gloves

Prohibited Items



Styrofoam



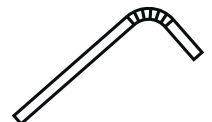
Hard Plastic Cups & Plates



Plastic bags



Balloons



Plastic straws