

The 3 Categories of Sustainable Packaging

Which type is right for your business?



RECYCLABLE

- Products like aluminum and plastic
- Most common recyclable containers for takeout packaging include number 5 plastic or number 1 polyethylene
- Number 5 plastic is best for keeping food warm
- Recyclable containers should be labeled with a clear recycling number where the customer can identify it

COMPOSTABLE

- Compostable containers are designed to break down in a commercial compost facility, so customers must dispose of it properly
- Compostable containers include paper and polylactic acid
- They contain fewer chemicals and are better for human bodies and for the earth
- Paper is better for dry foods, while PLA acts like plastic so it can be used for foods with moisture and heat

REUSABLE

- Reusable containers are less practical but can save the restaurant the most money
- Customers bring their own containers
- Some chains sell reusable containers for customers to bring back and forth, and then offer incentives for bringing them

Where to Buy Reusable Containers Online

1. Greenstaurant.com

Trusted source for sustainable foodservice disposables Eco-friendly wholesale foodservice disposables Compostable biodegradable plates, hot cups, cold cups, utensils, takeout containers and more

2. Letsgogreen.biz

Eco-friendly sustainable, disposable takeout food containers Great selection of 100% compostable and biodegradable takeout containers

Green alternative to traditional Styrofoam packaging

3. Goodstartpackaging.com

Eco-friendly, compostable takeout containers and to-go boxes Takeout containers that are plant-based, gluten-free Healthier alternative to foam and plastic

4. Brenmarco.com

Sustainable takeout supplies like boxes, cutlery, pizza containers and more Compostable forks, knives, spoons and sectional plates

5. Mrtakeoutbags.com

Full supply of eco-friendly food packaging for restaurants from recyclable bags to compostable containers Recyclable, compostable, or biodegradable food containers and cutlery Shrink your company's carbon footprint today

