



Utensils and Other Disposable Food Service Items

NEW REQUIREMENTS

Effective **January 1, 2022**, all District restaurants and food-serving entities are **prohibited** from providing small disposable food service items unless requested by the customer.

The following disposable items can no longer be included automatically with phone, online, or in-person orders:



Utensils



Napkins



Condiment packages



Straws/Stirrers

Restaurants and food-serving entities **must** keep disposable items either:

Behind the counter to give to customers who request them

OR

In a self-service area for customers to take on their own

These requirements also apply to **online and mobile orders**, including restaurant ordering sites and third-party ordering platforms. These platforms **must** be updated to give customers the option to select specific items.

This new law will **save restaurants money** and **reduce waste**.

To inform your customers of these new requirements, place the included decal in a highly visible location. Additional decals can be requested by calling DOEE at the number below.

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New requirements affecting District businesses inside

Nuevos requisitos que afectan a los comercios del Distrito por dentro

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Nouvelles dispositions concernant les entreprises de restauration du District

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Language
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Si necesita ayuda en Español, por favor llame al (202) 671-0080 para proporcionarle un intérprete **de manera gratuita**.
Nếu quý vị cần giúp đỡ về tiếng Việt, xin gọi (202) 671-0080 để chúng tôi thu xếp có thông dịch viên đến giúp quý vị **miễn phí**.
Si vous avez besoin d'aide en Français appelez-le (202) 671-0080 et l'assistance d'un interprète vous sera **fournie gratuitement**.
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한국어로 언어 지원이 필요하신 경우 (202) 671-0080 로 연락을 주시면 **무료로** 통역이 제공됩니다.
如果您需要用 (中文)接受幫助，請電洽(202) 671-0080 將**免費**向您提供口譯員服務。