



Single-Use Foodware Accessories and Condiments Restrictions

AB 1276 went into effect January 2022
restricting the distribution of
single-use utensils and condiments

How does this law work?



DO

In person or online,
customers must request:

- ✓ Utensils (forks, knives, spoons, and sporks)
- ✓ Chopsticks
- ✓ Condiment cups and packets
- ✓ Straws, stirrers, splash sticks, cocktail sticks

*Self-service stations are permissible so
customers can take what they need.*

DON'T

Unless requested, employees should not
automatically give out:

- ✗ Utensils (forks, knives, spoons, and sporks)
- ✗ Chopsticks
- ✗ Condiment cups and packets
- ✗ Straws, stirrers, splash sticks, cocktail sticks

*Bundled utensils (such as knife, fork,
and napkin) cannot be provided.*

Who is affected?

Food facilities*, third-party food delivery platforms, and their customers

*except for exempt facilities - health care facilities, residential care facilities,
public and private school cafeterias, correctional institutions



Why is this law in place?

- Oftentimes customers are given more accessories than they need, with much of it going unused and ending up in the landfill
- Single-use plastic is not recyclable, does not breakdown in the landfill, contributes to litter, and could end up polluting our waterways, including the San Francisco Bay



FAQ Page for AB 1276

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Let your customers know

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