

Rhode Island Plastic Waste Reduction Act

What Bags are Acceptable?

Recyclable paper bags: paper bags that are 100% recyclable, including the handles, contain at least 40% post-consumer paper content, and display the words “recyclable” and “made from 40% post-consumer recycled content” (or other applicable amount) in a visible manner on the outside of the bag.



Reusable bags: bags specifically designed and manufactured for at least 125 reuse, with handles which are stitched. The bag is made primarily of washable cloth, other durable fabric, polyester, polypropylene, or other durable plastic with a minimum thickness of 4.0 mils.



What Bags are Not Acceptable?

Plastic bags made from compostable or non-compostable plastic and not specifically designed and manufactured for at least 125 reuses.

