



Broomfield Days Food Vendor 100% Zero Waste Participation Agreement

Dear Vendor:

Thank you for your interest in participating at Broomfield Days! We are proud to announce that this event will be a **Zero Waste event**.

The goal at a Zero Waste event is to plan ahead and **distribute only materials that are recyclable or compostable** (not any materials that will be landfilled). "Zero Waste Stations" consisting of a recycling bin and compost bin will be available to participants at numerous locations throughout the park. As a food vendor handing out products at this event, **you are the key** to the success of our Zero Waste initiative.

Food vendors attending Broomfield Days are required to hand out only recyclable or compostable materials to the public. We have included local recycling and composting guidelines with this contract so you know which types of containers and packaging will be acceptable to distribute.

Remember, if an item is not recyclable locally, we cannot recycle it, even if your supplier has told you it can be recycled. If you have any questions as to whether your items are considered recyclable or compostable, please call Carolyn Johnson at 303-460-6923 or Nancy Harrold at 303-460-6903. We will answer your questions and help you understand your important role in this Zero Waste event. **Please note that you will be asked to remove any non-recyclable or non-compostable items from your salable products for the duration of the event. You will only be allowed to distribute recyclable or compostable products.**

The City and County of Broomfield can supply you with your compostable service ware for this event. Attached you will find a list of service ware that is available through your event coordinator. We will take orders starting April 1 thru August 14, 2009. Orders will be available for pick up starting September 3, 2009 and must be paid in full at the time of pick up. All payments must be made by check, cash or money order only. Orders placed after August 14 may be assessed a late charge and may not be available for pick up until the week of September 14, 2009.

Your signature on the vendor application acknowledges that you will abide by all Zero Waste guidelines and requirements. We look forward to working with you to make this a successful Zero Waste event.

Our Zero Waste goal is simple to attain if you plan ahead of time the kinds of materials you will be providing to the public at the event. Here are some ideas that can help you achieve this goal:

- Offer finger foods so as to use fewer utensils.
- Consider replacing plastic bowls (for serving chili and soups) with bread bowls and using cones for ice cream.
- Paper napkins are compostable and can replace bulkier plates.
- **Do not use Styrofoam or plastic.** Please use recyclable or compostable alternatives.
- Most candy wrappers, energy bars, chip bags and packaging from pre-packaged food are trash items. To avoid this issue, buy the item in bulk (e.g. a large bag of chips) and distribute the item to the public in small paper containers.
- Use bulk condiments instead of individual packages.

Other Local Sources of Compostable Serviceware:

<p>Eco-Products (Boulder, CO) http://ecoproducts.com/ 303-449-1876</p>	<p>Green Logic (Ft. Collins, CO) http://www.green-logic.net/compostable-tableware.html 970-484-1740</p>
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Guidelines to Containers and Service Ware for Zero Waste Events

Acceptable	<i>Not Acceptable</i>
<p>All paper containers including plates, bowls, cups, etc. Waxed paper products, which you can scratch off the coating with your fingernail, are acceptable.</p>	<p><i>Styrofoam (polystyrene). It is not recyclable, regardless of what your suppliers may tell you and despite any recycling symbols on the product. Plastic coated paper products, where the coating won't scratch off, are not acceptable.</i></p>
<p>Tubs and cups made of paper, potato starch, or corn starch</p>	<p><i>No plastic tubs, cups, deli cups, including #s 1, 4 and 6</i></p>
<p>Paper lids, Potato or cornstarch lids</p>	<p><i>Plastic lids</i></p>
<p>Potato or Cornstarch cutlery (spoons, forks, knives, straws)</p>	<p><i>Plastic cutlery</i></p>
<p>Potato or cornstarch straws</p>	<p><i>Plastic straws</i></p>
<p>Waxed paper products</p>	
<p>Aluminum foil and cans</p>	
<p>Glass bottles and jars</p>	
<p>Plastic water bottles and Jugs (#'s 1, 2 & 5 only no lids)</p>	
<p>Paper milk cartons and drink boxes</p>	
<p>Paper napkins and paper towels</p>	