

THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS

WILL ENFORCE A
TOWN - WIDE **BAN**
ON **SINGLE USE,**
PLASTIC
CARRY-OUT BAGS
STARTING
FEB. 1, 2020.

Retail and food establishments will no longer provide single use, carry-out plastic bags to customers. Instead, they shall charge a 10 cent fee for a paper bag and/or encourage customers to bring their own reusable bag.

Ordinance-2019-31

Customers should bring their own bag or use an alternative provided by the retailer (for a cost or for free).

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SECAUCUS PLASTIC BAG BAN



WHY?

A plastic shopping bag is used for an average of 12 minutes before being thrown away. When discarded, plastic bags clog sewage and storm drains, entangle and kill an estimated 100,000 marine mammals and birds every year, and degenerate into microplastics that are polluting our oceans, landfills and neighborhoods.



**NO MORE
PLASTIC BAGS**

**PAY FOR A
PAPER BAG**



**BRING YOUR
OWN BAG**

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When does the ban go into effect?

February 1st, 2020

Which bags are banned?

All plastic/petroleum bags and plant based bags
less than 10mil thick

Which bags are still allowed?

Newspaper sleeves
Produce bags
Pharmacy bags (if needed)
Dry cleaning/Laundry bags
Trash, animal and yard waste bags

Where is the money from the 10¢ paper bag fee going?

Directly to the retailer or businesses to
recover the cost of purchasing paper bags

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