

**Administrative Services
NEW – Board of Trustees Initiated Policy**

BP 6XXX SINGLE-USE PLASTICS (NEW)**References:**

Public Resources Code §§ 42280-42284
Public Resources Code §§ 42370-42370.7
Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

This policy articulates the Marin Community College District's (MCCD) requirements related to single-use plastics to ensure procurement and contracting activities that comply with the MCCD's sustainability goals and values.

The Superintendent/President shall establish purchasing practices to eliminate the purchase of single-use plastics including plastic straws, plastic water bottles, and plastic bags. Purchase preference shall be given to reusable products, followed by locally compostable and/or recyclable products. In purchasing goods or contracting for services that could require single-use plastics, stakeholders will work with District staff to assess and select sustainable alternatives.

This policy shall apply to the District's auxiliary organizations.

The District shall take the following actions no later than July 1, 2021:

- Eliminate single-use plastic water bottles upon contract renewal if existing contract terms prohibit. A 25% reduction in single-use plastic water bottles purchased and supplied will be achieved annually.
- Eliminate plastic straws.
- Eliminate single-use plastic carryout bags.
- Eliminate single-use polystyrene (e.g. STYROFOAM™) food service items.
- Replace single-use plastic items with materials that are reusable, locally compostable and/or recyclable.

Exceptions to the above are only to be made for complying with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements or when it is demonstrated that compliance with the above will result in undue hardship on students or District organizations.

Date Adopted: