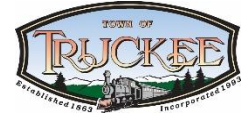




Truckee's Single-Use Foodware Reduction Ordinance

How to Implement the 25¢ Disposable Cup & Container Fee



1. Which items require the 25¢ fee:

YES

A 25¢ charge should be applied to each disposable cup and takeout container provided with to-go orders:

- cups for water, hot drinks, cold drinks, and alcoholic beverages
- bowls, plates, trays, cartons, or boxes

NO

The fee does NOT apply to:

- pizza boxes
- large cake or pasty boxes
- lightweight packaging used for to-go orders, such as: paper food wrappers, aluminum foil food wrappers, paper food bags, etc.
- boxes or cups provided for leftovers from customers dining in
- reusable cups or food containers used for to-go orders

2. The 25¢ fee must be identified to customers in the following methods:

1. Fees applied must be identified as a separate line item on all receipts provided to customers.
2. Fees must be identified on menus, ordering platforms, and/or menu boards used for takeout orders. The fee can be stated in one location and does not need to be listed with each item the fee applies to.
3. Fees must be verbally disclosed to customers ordering by phone.

Prepared food vendors must also indicate on menus, ordering platforms, and over the phone that customers may provide a reusable container to avoid the charge.

3. Businesses keep the \$0.25 fee revenue

The charge is designed to offset the cost of the disposable items the business provides. Businesses can adjust pricing as needed for each order that contains a disposable cup or container fee. The fee must still be listed separately on receipts.

4. Customers on WIC, EBT, and Medi-Cal are exempt from the fee

This is a requirement to reduce the cost burden on low-income customers. Customers who participate in these programs may feel uncomfortable indicating they are eligible for the exemption. Please be considerate and follow these guidelines:

- Food vendor staff are not allowed to ask for cards or proof of participation in these programs.
- Customers can refer to the exemption as the "Community Support Exemption" so they do not have to directly say they participate in any government-assistance programs.



More information is available at keeptruckeegreen.org/singleuse

