Please follow these requirements when ordering bags for your business.

**Carryout Paper Bags**
Carryout paper bags provided to customers at point of sale must meet certain requirements including:
- Contain at least 40 percent post-consumer recycled fiber.
- Contain no old growth fiber.
- Be accepted for recycling in curbside programs in a majority of households.
- Be compostable, consistent with the specifications of the ASTM Standard D6400.
- Be labeled with the following information:
  1. minimum percentage of post-consumer content,
  2. manufacturer, and
  3. the word “recyclable.”
These labels are required for all carryout paper bag sizes.

**Compostable Bags**
Carryout compostable bags must meet certain requirements including:
- Compost quality standards found under WAC 173-350-220 for metals, physical parameters, pathogens, manufactured inert material, and other testing parameters set by the local Health Department.
- Degrades satisfactorily at the composting facility receiving the material.
- Standard specification compostability ASTM D6400.
- Certified as compostable by the Biodegradable Products Institute or similar national or international certification authority.

**Reusable Bags**
Reusable carryout bags must:
- Have handles.
- Be designed and manufactured for at least 125 uses.
- Be capable of carrying 22 pounds a distance of 175 feet.
- Be made of cloth or other machine-washable fabric.

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