

STATES OF JERSEY



Jersey

DRAFT SINGLE-USE PLASTICS ETC. (RESTRICTIONS) LAW (JERSEY) AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 202-

**Lodged au Greffe on 6th May 2025
by the Minister for Infrastructure
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REPORT

1. Background

The [Single-Use Plastics etc. \(Restrictions\) \(Jersey\) Law 2021](#) is primary legislation established to reduce the Island's use of avoidable single use plastics and support Jersey's Carbon Neutral Roadmap. The [Single-Use Plastics etc. \(Restrictions\) \(Jersey\) Amendment Law 2025](#) was agreed by the States Assembly in December 2024 and brought Single-Use Vapes into the scope of the law.

These Single-Use Plastics etc. (Restrictions) Law (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- amend paragraph 2 (restricted items and their price) of the Schedule to the Single-Use Plastics etc. (Restrictions) (Jersey) Law 2021. The effect of this amendment is that the minimum price that a trader must charge for a recyclable plastic or paper bag does not apply to bags that are –

- supplied by wholesale from one trader to another trader; or
- supplied second-hand under a trader's bag reuse scheme.

The intent of the Single-Use Plastics legislation was to reduce the use of single use plastic in the Island, restricting the use of single use plastic and paper bags and requiring a minimum charge for reusable bags.

Introducing the 70p per bag minimum charge for reusable bags for wholesale transactions between traders and for second-hand bags does not match with this intent and formal clarification that they should be excluded is required.

Members are asked to support these draft Regulations so that the appropriate exceptions from the charge for reusable bags can be applied.

2. Resource and financial implications

There are no resource implications.

3. Children's Rights Impact Assessment

A Children's Rights Impact Assessment (CRIA) has been prepared in relation to this proposition and is available to read on the States Assembly website. These Regulations are not deemed to have significant impacts on children or young people and a full CRIA was therefore not undertaken.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

These Regulations amend paragraph 2 (restricted items and their price) of the Schedule to the Single-Use Plastics etc. (Restrictions) (Jersey) Law 2021. The effect of this amendment is that the minimum price that a trader must charge for a recyclable plastic or paper bag does not apply to bags that are –

- supplied by wholesale from 1 trader to another trader; or
- supplied second-hand under a trader's bag reuse scheme.

The Regulations come into force immediately after the Single-Use Plastics etc. (Restrictions) (Jersey) Amendment Law 2025 comes into force.



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*Made**[date to be inserted]**Coming into force**[date to be inserted]*

THE STATES make these Regulations under Article 15(1) of the [Single-Use Plastics etc. \(Restrictions\) \(Jersey\) Law 2021](#) –

1 [Single-Use Plastics etc. \(Restrictions\) \(Jersey\) Law 2021](#) amended

These Regulations amend the [Single-Use Plastics etc. \(Restrictions\) \(Jersey\) Law 2021](#).

2 **Schedule (prohibited and restricted items) amended**

In the Schedule, for the table in paragraph 2 (restricted items and their price) there is substituted –

Type	Description	Use	Price (inclusive of GST, if applicable)
Recyclable plastic carrier bag unless – (a) it is being supplied by wholesale to another trader; or (b) it is being supplied at retail after it was earlier – (i) supplied at retail by a trader; and (ii) returned to a trader.	With or without handle, made of recyclable plastic, with a wall thickness of 50 microns or more	Reusable	£0.70
Recyclable paper carrier bag unless – (a) it is being supplied by wholesale to another trader; or (b) it is being supplied at retail after it was earlier – (i) supplied at retail by a trader; and (ii) returned to a trader.	With or without handle, made of recyclable paper with a weight of 170 gsm or more	Reusable	£0.70

3 Citation and commencement

These Regulations may be cited as the Single-Use Plastics etc. (Restrictions) Law (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- and come into force immediately after the Single-Use Plastics etc. (Restrictions) (Jersey) Amendment Law 2025 comes into force.