



Announcement of Walailak University

Subject : Policy on Single-Use Plastic Waste and Disposable Item Reduction B.E. 2566 (2023)

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By virtue of the provision of Section 24 of the Walailak University Act, B.E. 2535 (1992), Walailak University issues the current policy on single-use plastic waste and disposable item reduction B.E. 2566 (2023), in replacement of the former policy on single-use plastic waste reduction 2022 in order to cover the management of disposal items.

1. This announcement shall be called "Walailak University's Policy on Single-Use Plastic Waste and Disposable Item Reduction B.E. 2566 (2023)".

2. This announcement shall take effect the next day following the announcement date.

3. Key definitions in this announcement are listed below:

"Vendor" means all places on campus selling products and providing services to purchasers, including convenience stores, book centers, coffee shops, flea market vendors, stalls, canteen stores, and all commercial stores and services.

"Supplier" means an individual or organization that provides services or sells products and equipment to Walailak University and the vendors on campus.

"Subcontractor" means a business or person that carries out work for Walailak University, such as building contractors, food services companies, and security companies.

"Disposable Item" means a product, item, or piece of equipment that is decided to be thrown away after it has been used.

"Single-use Plastic" means a product or item that is made wholly or partly of plastic and intended for single uses and/or for a short period of time before being disposed of.

4. All schools, colleges, and offices at Walailak University shall launch public campaigns and disseminate information to raise public awareness and proper understanding of single-use plastic and disposable item reduction.

5. All suppliers, subcontractors, vendors, schools, colleges, and offices at Walailak University shall, where possible, minimize the generation of single-use plastic waste and disposable items.

6. All suppliers, subcontractors, vendors, schools, colleges, and offices at Walailak University shall, where possible, avoid using disposable electronics to reduce the amount of electronic waste.

7. No free single-use plastic bags will be available to all vendor and subcontractor customers. However, for ready-to-eat food, plastic bags made from 100% recycled materials, bioplastic bags, or paper bags are acceptable as food containers.

8. No Styrofoam containers or compostable handle plastic bags will be available at all vendors.

9. All single-use plastic cups will be replaced with bio-plastic coated paper cups or washable and reusable ones at all vendors. Bring-your-own-cup discounts will be offered at all takeout beverage stores.


10. Single-use plastic spoons, forks, and straws will not be provided by any vendor or subcontractor unless requested by customers.

11. This policy shall apply to activities across all sites and to all staff members, students, subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, and visitors.

12. The President shall be in charge of the policy implementation in line with this announcement. Any interpretation or operation discrepancies will be finalized and settled based on the president's proposition.

Announcement since 31 October 2023

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