



Sky's Single-use Plastic Policy

In January 2017, we launched the Sky Ocean Rescue campaign to end plastic pollution in the sea. Through the campaign we reached 48.5m people and helped to influence national attitudes and behaviours around single-use plastic.

At the same time, we set ourselves an ambitious target to remove all single-use plastic from Sky operations, products and supply chain by 2020.

Since 2020, we have been 100% single-use plastic free in our products and packaging and have eliminated single-use plastic from our operations wherever possible. We are committed to maintaining this achievement. We also continue to explore alternatives for more challenging areas connected to food waste and hygiene and work closely with our suppliers to reduce single-use plastic across our supply chain.

This policy is a guide for our suppliers and aims to help maintain progress.

What we mean by single-use plastics

- Plastics items, including packaging, that are intended to be used only once for a short period of time (i.e. a week) before they are thrown away. This includes those that can be recycled (e.g. petroleum-based plastics, food and drinks packaging and containers, disposable items and materials used for temporary branding and marketing use).
- Single-use plastics that are required for legal and/or health and safety purposes (e.g. food gloves, food preservation, etc.) are exempt from this definition.

What we consider not to be single-use plastic

- Plastic products that are used multiple times with sustainable disposal method(s) (recycled by a registered company with a clear chain of custody) at end of life.
- Raw material production (i.e., plastics used in the supply chain), which are segregated, collected and recycled into other use or sold as a raw material back into the supply chain.

All products or alternatives considered should aim to adhere to the latest best-practice environmental, circular economy and audit practices, and be integrated into the waste management, collection, sorting and reprocessing systems available.

Suppliers

Sky will work with suppliers with the aim of ensuring that all products supplied to Sky will adhere to this policy and encourage suppliers to adopt the same standards within their organisation and supply chains – including, but not limited to, any secondary packaging materials utilised in production, or to transfer materials within supplier's operations or supply chain.

To maintain compliance with our commitments, our principles are:

- **Eliminate** – Avoid through redesign or behaviour change, e.g. water fountains instead of bottled water, designing out plastic film for batteries, working with suppliers to reduce packaging in products delivered to Sky, etc.



- **Reusable alternative** – Use reusable alternative items enabled by a system, e.g. Cup Club, Keep Cup, etc.
- **Sustainable alternative from renewable source** – Use more sustainable materials from renewable sources with better recycling options or biodegradability, e.g. FSC paper, cellophane.
- **Recyclable material** – Use materials that have a high recycling rate that is not plastic (e.g. glass and tin). Where single-use plastic is required by law, regulation or for health and safety (e.g. food packaging), aim to source appropriate recycled plastic that will be fully recyclable and compatible with kerbside collection.
- **Resource efficiency (supply chain)** – Secondary materials (e.g. off-cuts) should be collected in a robust, easily auditable way in the supply chain and turned into another use or sold on as a raw material.