

State	City/county	Effective date	Summary of plastic bag law
Alaska	Bethel	Sep-10	City officials voted in July 2009 to ban plastic bags and takeout containers.
	Hooper Bay	Aug-10	The plastic bag ban in Hooper Bay went into effect in August 2010.
Arizona	Bisbee	Dec-12	The City of Bisbee passed a voluntary six month reduction period for single-use bag distribution. After the six months, council can either extend the voluntary period, or mandate a 5 cent charge on plastic bags in large retail stores.
California	Alameda County and City, Albany, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Newark, Oakland, Piedmont, Pleasanton, San Leandro, and Union City	Jan-13	The Alameda County Waste Management Authority (StopWaste.org) adopted its ordinance banning plastic bags and placing a 10 cent price requirement on paper and reusable bags in January of 2012. It goes into effect on January 1, 2013 in unincorporated Alameda County as well as its 14 incorporated cities.
	Calabasas	Feb-11	The Calabasas City Council unanimously adopted a plastic bag ban with a minimum ten cent price requirement on paper bags in February 2011.
	Dana Point	Apr-13	The City of Dana Point adopted a ban on single-use plastic bags from all retail stores within city limits on March 6, 2012. Effective in larger stores April 1, 2013, and all other stores October 1, 2013.
	Fairfax	Aug-07	Fairfax adopted its ban on plastic bags August 2007. After a legal challenge by the plastic industry, Fairfax voters overwhelmingly adopted a plastic bag ban by initiative in November 2008.
	Laguna Beach	Jan-13	In February 2012, the Laguna Beach City Council unanimously adopted a plastic bag ban in all retail stores. Grocery stores, pharmacies, and convenience/liquor stores must include a 10 cent minimum price requirement on paper bags distributed.
	Long Beach	Aug-11	On May 17, 2011, the City of Long Beach passed a bag ordinance with a 5-0 vote. It banned single-use plastic bags and placed a 10 cent minimum price requirement on paper bags. The ordinance is effective in larger stores starting in August 2011, and will expand to others stores in 2012.
	Los Angeles	Jun-12	The Los Angeles City Council voted 13 to 1 in May 2012 to phase out plastic bags over the next 16 months, meaning shoppers will need to bring reusable bags or purchase paper bags for 10 cents each.
	Los Angeles County	Jul-11	Los Angeles County banned plastic bags and placed a 10 cent minimum price requirement on recycled paper bags in November 2010. It is effective July 2011, and expands to other stores in January 2012.
	Malibu	May-08	The Malibu City Council voted to ban plastic bags in May 2008.
	Manhattan Beach	Jul-08	The Manhattan Beach City Council voted to ban plastic bags in July 2008.
	Marin County	Jan-12	Marin County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously in favor of an ordinance restricting the free distribution of single-use bags in January 2011, effective January 2012.
	Millbrae	Sep-12	On February 14, 2012, the Millbrae City Council adopted a plastic bag ban with a 10 cent requirement on paper bags. The ordinance goes into effect on September 1, 2012 in all retail establishments, except for restaurants, non-profits, and dry-cleaners.

State	City/county	Effective date	Summary of plastic bag law
California	Monterey	Dec-11	The Monterey City Council unanimously passed an ordinance on December 6, 2011. The ordinance bans plastic bags and places an initial 10 cent minimum price requirement on paper bags for the first year (25 cents after).
	Palo Alto	Mar-09	The Palo Alto City Council voted March 2009 to ban plastic bags at large supermarkets and announced their intention to consider expanding the ban to cover all retail stores as well as enacting a fee on paper bags.
	Pasadena	Jul-12	In November of 2011, the Pasadena City Council unanimously adopted a plastic bag ban with a 10 cent minimum price requirement on paper bags. Effective July 1, 2012 for large stores and supermarkets and December 2012 for convenience stores.
	San Francisco	Apr-07	San Francisco became the first city in the nation to adopt a ban on plastic shopping bags in April 2007. In February of 2012, the Board of Supervisors voted to expand the ordinance to more stores.
	San Jose	Jan-12	San Jose City Council passed a ban on plastic bags in December 2010. It is effective January 2012. For the first two years, paper bags will be sold under this ordinance at 10 cents each; after two years the minimum price per paper bag is 25 cents each.
	Santa Clara County	Jan-12	On April 26, 2011, the County Board of Supervisors voted in favor of a single-use bag ordinance. The ordinance bans single-use plastic bags and places a 15 cent minimum price requirement on single-use paper bags throughout unincorporated county areas.
	Santa Cruz County	Mar-12	On September 13, 2011, the County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously in favor of a single-use bag ordinance. It bans single-use plastic bags and places a 10 cent minimum price requirement on single-use paper bags throughout unincorporated county areas.
	Santa Monica	Jan-11	The Santa Monica City Council unanimously voted for a ban on single-use plastic bags and a cost pass-through requirement per recyclable paper bag in January 2011.
	Sunnyvale	Jun-12	Sunnyvale passed a bag ordinance in December 2011. The ordinance bans single-use plastic bags and places a 10 cent minimum price requirement on paper bags which later increases to 25 cents. Starting June 20, 2012 it covers grocery and convenience stores and large retailers, expanding to cover all retailers by March 2013.
	San Luis Obispo County and City, Arroyo Grande, Atascadero, Grover Beach, Morro Bay, Paso Robles, Pismo Beach	Sep-12	The San Luis Obispo County Integrated Waste Management Authority adopted a plastic bag ban with a 10 cent minimum price requirement on paper bags in January of 2012. It goes into effect on 9/1/12 in all seven incorporated cities as well as unincorporated areas of the county.
Colorado	Aspen	May-12	The city of Aspen banned plastic bags and placed a 20 cent charge on paper bags in October 2011.
	Basalt	May-12	The city of Basalt passed an ordinance placing a 20 cent charge on both single-use plastic and paper bags in September 2011.
	Telluride	Mar-11	The town of Telluride, CO banned plastic bags in October 2010. The ban went into effect March 2011, with a 10 cent price requirement on paper bags.
Connecticut	Westport	Sep-08	In September 2008, Westport became the first Connecticut city to ban plastic bags.
District of Columbia	Washington	Jun-09	The District of Columbia Council voted June 2009 to require retailers to charge a \$0.05 fee on all carryout bags.

State	City/county	Effective date	Summary of plastic bag law
Hawaii	Hawaii County	Jan-12	The Big Island of Hawaii banned single-use plastic bags in January 2012.
	Kauai County	Jan-11	Kauai banned plastic bags in October 2009.
	Maui County	Jan-11	Maui banned plastic bags in August 2008.
Maryland	Montgomery County	Jan-12	The County followed the example of the neighboring District of Columbia and passed a 5 cent minimum price requirement on single-use plastic and paper bags in May 2011. Unlike the DC ordinance, this ordinance applies to all retailers.
New York	East Hampton	Feb-12	In August 2011, the East Hampton Village Board approved a plastic bag ban.
	Rye	May-12	In December 2011, the Rye City Council unanimously adopted a plastic bag ban at all retail stores.
	Southampton	Nov-11	In April 2011, the Southampton Village Board unanimously approved a ban on non-biodegradable bags for retailers, supermarkets and restaurants.
North Carolina	Hyde, Currituck and Dare Counties	Jun-09	The North Carolina Legislatures banned plastic in the Barrier Islands in June 2009. The ban was extended to all businesses in the three counties in 2010.
Oregon	Portland	Oct-11	Portland became the first city to adopt a ban on plastic bags in July 2011, after the state legislature failed to pass a statewide ban.
Texas	Austin	Mar-13	In March 2012, Austin City Council adopted a sweeping ban on single-use plastic and paper bags in all business establishments.
	Brownsville	Jan-11	The City of Brownsville became the first in its state to restrict plastic bags in 2009 with a \$1 charge per transaction.
	Fort Stockton	Sep-11	In 2010, the City of Fort Stockton banned single-use plastic bags from stores.
	South Padre Island	Jan-12	In January 2011, South Padre Island passed a bag ordinance banning plastic single-use carryout bags that is effective 2012.
Washington	Bellingham	Jul-12	Bellingham banned plastic bags and placed a 5 cent minimum price requirement on paper bags in July 2011.
	Edmonds	Sep-09	Edmonds banned plastic bags at all retail stores in July 2009.
	Mukilteo	Jan-13	The City of Mukilteo banned plastic bags in December 2011.
	Seattle	Jul-12	In December 2011, the Seattle City Council unanimously passed an ordinance banning single-use plastic bags and putting a 5 cent minimum price requirement on single-use paper bags.

The information above is as of June 2012. It might not reflect the latest change. For accuracy, please check with the local government for the corresponding ordinance.