

Your submission to Proposed mandatory phase out of single-use plastic shopping bags

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Submitter Type: Individual

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1. Do you agree with the proposed mandatory phase out of the sale or distribution of single-use plastic shopping bags in New Zealand, including those made of degradable (eg, oxo-degradable, biodegradable and compostable) plastic? Why / why not?

Position

No

Notes

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2. We have proposed a mandatory phase out of single-use plastic shopping bags. This could include under 50 microns or under 70 microns in thickness. If you agree with a mandatory phase out, which option do you prefer, and why?

Position

Other (please specify)

Notes

I disagree. There is vast land area in New Zealand where they could be buried. I will need to buy bags for many purposes as the bags are not single use. I use them for dogs, weeding, paint brushes and many purposes. Without these bags, that I get free I will need to buy bags. The govt has an inadequate conception of space.

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3. Are you aware of types of single-use plastic shopping bags that should be exempt from a mandatory phase out?

Position

No

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4. Do you currently manufacture, sell, provide or import for sale or personal use these types of single-use plastic shopping bags:

Position

No

Notes

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8. Do you agree that the benefits expected from implementing a mandatory phase out of single-use plastic shopping bags exceed the costs expected from implementing the phase out? Why / why not? Please consider both monetary and non-monetary costs and benefits (those that can be measured by money as well as those that can't).

Position

No

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The cost will exceed any benefits to me personally. Also my opinion is that as a country recycling makes zero economic sense.

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9. Do you think that reasonably practicable alternatives to single-use plastic shopping bags exist in New Zealand? Why / why not?

Position

No

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13. Please provide any additional comments or suggestions about the proposed mandatory phase out of single-use plastic shopping bags.

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