

Customers Best Practices For Reusable Bags & Food Takeout Containers

Coronavirus may live for hours to days on surfaces made from a variety of materials, including reusable bags and food takeout packaging.

Customers: Make Sure Your Bags Are Clean

- If you bring your own bag to transport food, make sure it is clean. Many reusable bags are machine washable. Cleaning followed by disinfecting is a best practice for other bag types.
- Stores may request you to bag your own items. Please help out and know it is in the best interest of everyone's health and safety.

Food Takeout Containers

- Place on a surface away from where you will eat.
- Open the package, then wash hands thoroughly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds before transferring food to a plate.
- After throwing packaging away (including containers, bags, receipts, menus, etc.), wash your hands a second time before eating.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces that packaging materials come in contact with.

For disinfection, a list of products with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-approved emerging viral pathogens claims, maintained by the American Chemistry Council Center for Biocide Chemistries (CBC), is available at [Novel Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Fighting Products](#). Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for use.