

# Single Use Plastics Should Be Banned

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Banning single use plastics is a matter of life and death. It is a ticking time bomb that will lead to disastrous outcomes if we don't stop it now. Single use plastic is a material that takes up to 450 years to break down in landfill. Humans use 1.2 million plastic bottles per second having 91% not being recycled. Plastic may not seem like a big deal now, but it is hurting the environment and everything that lives in it including sea animals, plants, climate and humans. Plastic has a huge impact on the earth and thousands of animals are dying every year by consuming this plastic, in fact 100,000 sea animals die by plastic pollution. While plastic is used to package food and hold water it gives us life while destroying and ending lives faster. The world has gone through so much and it would be devastating for it to end. Single use plastics should definitely be banned.

An apocalypse of redundant plastic bottles and food packaging piled up on a towering, never ending mountain reaching high for the sky. Abandoned effluvia lay askew on the insalubrious, unkempt ground lying in an oblivion of nothingness as ashen grey smog spiralled up to the sky mixed with the rancid, pungent smell of rotting food. A single black crow cawed in disgust as it flew over the overflowing mounds of plastic. Sky no longer a cerulean blue but an argentine murky colour draped over the wasteland below. A wasteland full of plastic.

Plastic is not an economical way of packaging products, it is a noxious product that hurts sea life and other living beings. Think about the future if humans keep letting this happen, think about what future generations might think of us. Plastic contributes to global warming and climate change which makes the atmosphere above normal temperatures. If this continues the world will have droughts and more ice caps will start melting, leaving polar bears stranded. If plastic was banned from this world or simply recycled we could save this planet from extinction. People are carelessly tossing plastic onto sidewalks and that goes to the ocean. Sea animals eat this plastic that harms them and causes them to die, more than 700 species eat the litter. Our wrong doings will lead to something bigger than a plastic bottle on the sidewalk. It would lead to devastating outcomes. With time ticking, we don't have much time left to make things right. So I would like to make my point clear, single use plastic should absolutely be banned.

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