

QUESTIONS TO ASK DISTRIBUTORS

REUSABLE CLOTH BAGS

The type of bag you choose is up to you.

These questions will help you find a bag that matches your priorities.

- What are your bags made from?
- Where are your bags made?
- Are they certified fair-trade?

PAPER BAGS

- Are your bags made from 100% recycled paper bags?
- Do your bags contain post-consumer recycled paper?
- Where are your bags made?



COMPOSTABLE BAGS AND PRODUCTS

Don't hesitate to ask these questions! Compostable bags are a new market and the labeling is poor. Many bags that market themselves as "biodegradable" still contain plastic, which mean they still break down into small plastic parts – only more quickly.

- Are your bags/products certified by BPI (Biodegradable Products Institute) to meet the ASTM 6400 0-4 standards for compostability? (American Society for Testing & Materials)
- Do your bags contain any polyethylene (plastic)?
- Are your bags made from GMO-free materials?
- Where are your bags made?

LOCAL SINGLE-USE BAG DISTRIBUTORS

DON VU

LV Plastic & Packaging

dontvu@hotmail.com

650 438-4221

Sample products:

16" x 20" t-shirt 0.8 mil BioBag (compostable bag); \$80 per 500 or 16.0 cents each

16" x 22" t-shirt 0.68 mil BioBag on a roll (compostable bag); \$50 per 400 or 12.5 cents each

100% recycled 1/6 barrel size paper bag with handles; \$36 for 300 pieces or \$48 for 400 pieces. 12 cents each

RAY CHAN

Leader Packaging

123@bagmanray.com

415 334-3628

Sample products:

16" x 20" t-shirt 0.8 mil BioBag (compostable bag); \$99 per 500 or 19.8 cents each

12" x 7" unbleached natural kraft (paper) grocery bag with handle; \$49 per 300 or 16.3 cents each

REUSABLE CLOTH BAG SUPPLIERS
WESTERN TEXTILE & MANUFACTURING

Bruce Spiegelman, CEO
 San Francisco, CA
 800 734-8683 x 11
westex@bagmakers.com

- Tote and Produce Canvas Bags
- Organic and Non-Organic Cotton
- Made in San Francisco
- Production is two weeks
- Bulk prices for produce bags as of 3/23/09

Bag	100	250	500	1000
8"x12" Organic	\$1.80 Each	\$1.65 Each	\$1.55 Each	\$1.45 Each
10"x12" Organic	\$1.95 Each	\$1.80 Each	\$1.70 Each	\$1.60 Each
8"x12" Conventional	\$1.70 Each	\$1.55 Each	\$1.45 Each	\$1.35 Each
10"x12" Conventional	\$1.85 Each	\$1.70 Each	\$1.60 Each	\$1.50 Each

BLUE LOTUS GOODS

Jill Troderman
 Soquel, CA
 831 479-7051
jill@bluelotusblankets.com
www.bluelotusblankets.com

- Mesh and Canvas Produce Bags
- Organic Cotton & Made in India
- Bulk prices as of 2/19/09

Bag	48	144	288	500
7"x8" Canvas	\$2.43 Each	\$2.33 Each	\$2.23 Each	\$2.18 Each
9"x11" Canvas	\$2.68 Each	\$2.58 Each	\$2.48 Each	\$2.43 Each
11"x15" Canvas	\$3.13 Each	\$3.03 Each	\$2.93 Each	\$2.88 Each
12"x15" Mesh	\$2.88 Each	\$2.78 Each	\$2.68 Each	\$2.63 Each

FRENCH BASKETEER

Andrea
 Laguna Beach, CA
 949 310-5687
andrea@frenchbasketeer.com
www.frenchbasketeer.com

- Mesh and Canvas Produce Bags
- Fair-Trade, Organic & Made in India

Bag	Price
8" x 9"	\$1.10
13" x 16"	\$1.75

WASHABLE PRODUCE BAGS

Cindi Valverde
 415 898-9611
info@washableproducebags.com
www.washableproducebags.com

- Nylon produce bags
- Hanging basket bag with 50 bags
- Call for whole sale pricing

ECO BAGS

1-800-720-2247
www.ecobags.com

- Tote and Produce
- Some are "Fair Wage/Fair Labor"

PAPER BAG SUPPLIERS
EXCELLENT PACKAGING & SUPPLY

Richmond, CA
 800 317-2737
greg@excellentpackaging.com

PACKAGE CONTAINERS INC.

Canby, OR
 800 266-5806
sales@packagecontainers.com

ARROW PAPER COMPANY

San Francisco, CA
www.arrowpaper.com
 800 864-7292

PACIFIC WESTERN SALES

www.pacificwesternsales.com

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BIOBAG USA

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SOURCES FOR BASKETS

Remember the customer who buys as much as he/she can carry in her two hands to the scale? Baskets at booths will encourage customers to buy more. Then they can drop the produce in their tote bag to carry home. No produce bag required.

WHOLESALE BASKETS

www.luckyclovertrading.com