

REDUCE, Reuse, recycle

Our world is being consumed by waste plastic!

- REDUCE: Consider what plastic products you really need. If you don't need it, don't buy or use it. Less will be made and thrown out.
- Reuse: Continue to reuse plastic products as much as possible, such as reusable coffee cups, plastic bags of all sorts. These products will still be made, but in smaller amounts.
- Recycle: Many people consider recycling to be equivalent to REDUCING and Reusing. ITS NOT. Only some plastics can be effectively recycled, and only a small percentage of those plastics actually get recycled into new products. Recycling requires lots of energy for the recycling process and transport, and much of the plastic is transported to foreign countries.
- **REFUSE**: This is another "R", REFUSE plastic packaging as much as possible. Consider carefully how and where you shop.

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