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County of Hawai‘i Single-Use Plastic Checkout Bag Ban Is In Full Effect

As an early response to the pandemic, on Wednesday, April 1, 2020, former Mayor Kim suspended the ban on single-use plastic checkout bags under his third Supplementary Emergency Proclamation. The suspension was effective for 60 days, i.e., until May 30, 2020.

As of June 1, 2020, the County of Hawai‘i Single-Use Plastic Checkout Bag Ban was no longer suspended and currently remains in effect.

Businesses are prohibited from providing single-use plastic checkout bags to their customers for the purpose of transporting groceries or other goods.

A copy of the Plastic Bag Reduction Ordinance Administrative Rules and County Code (Chapter 20) can be found on our website, https://www.hawaiizerowaste.org/reuse-2/county-of-hawaii-plastic-bag-reduction-ordinance-2/. If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to call 961-8554.

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