

DSNY Tote Regulations

As part of New York City's Department of Sanitation and Mayor Adams administration's ongoing commitment to cleaning up New York City's streets, an increased focus has been placed on decreasing the amount of time trash is left on the curb. Assisting in the effort to diminish the eyesore of black bags, reducing trash for rats, and improving cleanliness.

In collaboration with the city's efforts, Classic is offering all customers 64-gallon and 96-gallon totes and tote straps. Our totes with straps offer the following benefits:

- Ensures compliance with the city's new commercial regulations
- Prevents pests and animals from accessing garbage
- Seals in odors/Holds lids down
- Keeps garbage inside and not spilling out
- Keeps waste properly contained while awaiting pickup
- Improves your business and the community's cleanliness

Who is Affected

As of August 1, 2023, ALL food-related businesses in NYC must use bins with secure lids when setting out trash for collection.

As of September 5, 2023, ALL chain stores with five or more locations in NYC must use bins with secure lids when setting out trash for collection.

Starting March 1, 2024, ALL businesses in NYC must use bins with secure lids when setting out trash for collection.

What types of waste

All trash, food, and food-soiled paper must be in a bin with a secure lid when set out at the curb for collection. The requirement does not apply to recyclables (metal, glass, plastic, or clean paper and cardboard).

This rule does not require the separation of trash from food or food-soiled paper — it only requires that these materials are placed in bins with secure lids for collection.

How to store bins

Containers should be stored inside or in a rear yard if possible when not set out for collection. If space is not available, bins can be stored within three (3) feet of the building line. Bins must be maintained in a neat and orderly manner and always allow for a clear path of pedestrian travel on the sidewalk.

Tote Sizes Available



Toter 64 Gallon



31.5" L X 24 1/4" W X 41 3/4" H

Toter 96 Gallon



35.5" L X 29.7" W X 43.5" H