

Membership Form

**Join our community of restaurants
committed to reducing single-use plastic.**

Plastic pollution is suffocating our ocean and the many animals that call it home. Researchers estimate there are now over 5.25 trillion pieces of plastic in the ocean with 11 million metric tons being added each year. This pollution is impacting our marine ecosystems and wildlife ranging from seabirds, dolphins, fish, turtles, and whales. Plastic fragments are even displacing plankton as the base of the food chain. So what's the best way to combat this global epidemic facing our ocean? It's simple: we need to stop the problem at its source! The Surfrider Foundation's Great Lakes Friendly Restaurants program does just that. One restaurant, one customer at a time, it increases awareness, drives behavior change, and ultimately creates scalable impact to reduce our plastic footprint. Sign up today!

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RESTAURANT INFORMATION

Restaurant Name*: _____

Select Restaurant Type*:

Cafe/Bistro Fine Dining Address*: _____

Fast Casual Food Truck City*: _____

Fast Food/Takeout Cafeteria/Dining Hall State*: _____ Zip Code*: _____

Website: _____

Contact Information

First Name*: _____ Last Name*: _____

Phone*: _____ Email*: _____

Membership Objective*

Join the Program

Renew Membership

*Required

RESTAURANTS PARTICIPATING MUST FOLLOW THE FIRST SEVEN CRITERIA

- Only reusable foodware is used for onsite dining.*
- Paper straws are provided only upon request.**
- No expanded polystyrene foam (aka Styrofoam™) is used.
- No plastic bags are used for takeout or to-go orders.
- Single-use utensils, straws, condiments, and other accessory items are provided only upon request for takeout and to-go orders.
- Beverages are not sold in plastic bottles.
- Proper recycling practices are followed.

* Foodware includes dinnerware, drinkware, silverware, and ramekins/containers.

** Exceptions may be made for naturally occurring materials (e.g. hay, bamboo) and reusables (e.g. metal, glass), not including bio-based plastic. Straws should be provided to anyone who needs one, including people with disabilities.

AND CHOOSE A MINIMUM OF THREE OF THESE CRITERIA

- A discount is offered for customers with a reusable item (e.g. cup, container, bag).
- Vegetarian and vegan food options are offered on a regular basis.
- All seafood is 'Best Choice' or 'Good Alternative' as defined by Seafood Watch, or certified as sustainable.
- Water conservation and pollution mitigation efforts are implemented.
- Energy efficiency efforts are in place.
- Concessions and pre-packaged food items are not sold in plastic packaging.
- Composting efforts are in place for food waste.
- Neither single-use plastic nor bio-based plastic containers are used for takeout or to-go orders, reusable containers are preferred.

Restaurants that meet all program criteria will gain recognition as a Platinum Level Great Lakes Friendly Restaurant.

IN AN AVERAGE YEAR, HOW MANY CUSTOMERS DO YOU SERVE PER DAY?

Please select the size range most applicable to your **average daily guest count**.

- 0-100 guests 300-500 guests
- 100-300 guests 500+ guests

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Name on Card*: _____

Card Number*: _____

Expiration*: _____ CVC*: _____

Check Enclosed

Please consider making a \$150 donation to help fund the Great Lakes Friendly Restaurants program. Your tax-deductible contribution supports the development of new resources, allows for additional promotional opportunities, and helps to ensure that we can continue to provide this program free of charge to restaurants in need across the nation.

Address*: _____

City*: _____

State*: _____ Zip Code*: _____

Please make checks payable to: Surfrider Foundation
Mail to: P.O. Box 73550, San Clemente, CA 92673-0119

TERMS & CONDITIONS

By becoming a Great Lakes Friendly Restaurants member, you agree to the terms and conditions of the Surfrider Foundation's program.

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