

Materials NOT accepted in Products on the Party Without Plastic[®] Marketplace

The following materials are currently NOT acceptable in Products sold on the Marketplace:

Silicone	PVC
Polypropylene	Polyethene
Acrylic	Rayon
Concrete	Econyl (made from waste-nylon products)
Nylon	Polyester
Viscose	Synthetic Latex
Polystyrene	Styrofoam

Oil-based materials
Bamboo composite (including plastic)
Natural Latex with added pigments/chemicals (we do not sell balloons)
Petroleum based, non-compostable plastics of any kind, including recycled plastics
Glues made from synthetic plastic polymers or copolymers.

**this is not an exhaustive list of materials – please get in touch if you are unsure about materials in a Product you'd like to list but which does not appear in Appendix 1 or Appendix 2.*

Packaging materials not acceptable for sending orders:

- Plastic tape e.g. sellotape
- Bubble wrap
- Recycled plastics
- Foam peanuts
- Cellophane
- Plastic bags
- Envelopes with any kind of plastic lining

A note about bioplastics

At the current time, there is a lack of clarity regarding exactly how biodegradable and compostable plant-based bio-plastics are. For example, many can only be composted under very specific industrial conditions, and remain non-biodegradable, taking anything up to 80 years to degradeⁱ. Other bioplastics are considered fully biodegradable, but approximately half of the current bioplastic market is not biodegradableⁱⁱ which leaves us in a difficult position in determining which bioplastics to accept onto the Marketplace in our quest to ensure Customers are confident in their purchasing decisions.

For now, we have decided not to accept bioplastics in Products on the Marketplace, but hope over time to bring greater clarity and understanding about the impact of bioplastics on the planet, and our decision to include (or not) bioplastics in Marketplace Products.

ⁱ <https://www.gianeco.com/en/faq-detail/1/10/how-long-does-pla-take-to-decompose#:~:text=In%20the%20wild%2C%20it%20takes,plastics%20and%20above%20all%20microplastics.>

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<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0959652621004388#:~:text=The%20major%20non%2Dbiodegradable%20bioplastics,is%20presented%20with%20flow%20diagrams.>