

Green Hong Kong Flower Show 2026: Strategy and Practice on Waste Reduction (Commercial Stalls)

1 Objectives

- Enhance environmental performance by improve recycling resources and reduce waste disposal, avoiding the use of single-use plastic products.
- Assist in waste/recyclable audit and environmental management conducted by LCSD.
- Spread the green message and influence others during the Show and promote environmental protection concepts and raise public awareness of environmental protection through activities.

2 Strategy

- Identify the amount of waste and recyclables generated in different show periods and submit the record to the Organiser.
- Record and monitor the use of materials and waste at the various stages of the exhibition. Avoid unnecessary materials use, and reuse materials as much as possible.
- Make good use of recycling facilities.
- Ask the Show Environmental Management Team for professional help (Enquiry Telephone: 2601 8987).

3 Role and Responsibilities

Organiser (Leisure and Cultural Services Department)

1. Set up waste reduction targets
2. Supervise stakeholders in waste reduction, avoidance of use of plastic products and recycling of resources
3. Avoidance of use of single-use plastic products
4. Digitise the prospectus and application forms
5. Provide reusable materials and recycling facilities for exhibitors
6. Communicate with different stakeholders

Environmental Management Team for the Show

1. Conduct waste audit
2. Establish waste management system and execute a waste recycling plan
3. Supervise the use of materials and provide necessary support

Exhibitors

1. Reduce waste disposal and recycle and reuse materials
2. Submit the record on the storage and the use of materials
3. Use the recyclables collection point properly
4. Avoid the use of single-use plastic products

Commercial Stalls

1. Follow the agreement stated in Green Event Charter
2. Use the recyclables collection point properly
3. Forbid the use of single-use plastic utensils and avoid Styrofoam
4. Submit the record on the use of materials
5. Assist in food waste recycling

Cleansing and Recyclables Collection Service Contractors

1. Collect waste and recyclables
2. Submit the record on the use of materials

4 Waste reduction

Before the Show

Key points of waste reduction	Green tips
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement waste prevention before recycling • Try to use reusable materials to design exhibits and reduce the use of packaging materials • Encourage staff and contractors to recycle • Waste and recyclables must be sorted and sent to the Recyclables Collection Point or Refuse Collection Point 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fill in the quantity of waste and recyclable by using the exhibit layout • Put recyclable/reusable materials into the recycling facilities provided by the Organiser • Decorative materials such as branches, sands and flower pots which collected in Recyclables Collection Point are free to use • Ask recycling service contractor for help if you are not sure whether the material can be recycled

During the Show

Key points of waste reduction	Green tips
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage staff and contractors on proper recycling • Minimising the use of packaging materials or reuse them after the Show • Avoid distributing leaflets and using environmentally friendly promotional materials • Separate the recyclables properly and sent it to Recyclables Collection Point 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use electronic leaflet and invite the public to browse by scanning QR code

After the Show

Key points of waste reduction	Green tips
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean up the location of the exhibition area, try to recycle and take away reusable materials as much as possible • Separate the recyclable properly and sent it to Recyclables Collection Point 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask recycling service contractor for help if you are not sure whether the material can be recycled

Recyclable materials and key points on recycling are attached on Appendix I.

5 Recycling Facilities

Before the Show

Legend	Recycling facilities	Service hours	Materials can be collected
	Temporary Refuse and Recyclables Collection Points	<u>28/02/2026 – 16/03/2026</u> 09:00-18:00	Cardboards, other papers, soils, thick branches, wilted flowers, plastic flower pots, wood pallets, glass bottles
	Wood Collection Point	<u>17/03/2026</u> 09:00-23:00	Thick branches, wood pallets, wooden boards
	Recyclables Collection Point	<u>28/02/2026 – 16/03/2026</u> 09:00-18:00	General waste, cardboards, other papers, soils, thick branches, wilted flowers, plastic flower pots, wood pallets
	Recyclables Collection Point	<u>17/03/2026</u> 09:00-23:00	
		<u>18–19/03/2026</u> 08:30-18:00	
	Recycling Bins and Refuse Collection Bins	<u>18–19/03/2026</u> 08:30-18:00	Papers, plastics, metals, liquid and general waste



6 Environmental Legislation

- The legislation controlling disposable plastic tableware and other plastic products came into effect on **22 April 2024**.
- **Prohibited for sale (including display for sale) and free distribution:**
 - Balloon sticks
 - Inflatable cheering sticks
 - Glow sticks
 - Party hats
 - Plastic food picks
 - Plastic toothpicks
 - Umbrella bags
- **Prohibited for free distribution (but may be sold):**
 - Non-medical transparent gloves
 - Promotional plastic-wrapped tissues
- **Catering businesses must not provide customers (whether free or charged) with the following disposable plastic tableware:**
- **For dine-in or catering services:**
 - Foam tableware
 - Drinking straws
 - Stirring sticks
 - Eating utensils (forks, knives, spoons)
 - Plates
 - Food containers
 - Food container lids
 - Cups and cup lids
- **For takeaway services:**
 - Foam tableware
 - Drinking straws
 - Stirring sticks
 - Eating utensils (forks, knives, spoons)
 - Plates

7 More information

- For more information on waste reduction and recycling, please visit the Environmental Protection Department's Hong Kong Waste Reduction website, "A Waste Reduction Guidebook for Large Scale Event Organisers" :

<https://www.wastereduction.gov.hk/en-hk/waste-reduction-programme/greening-your-events> or scan the QR code.



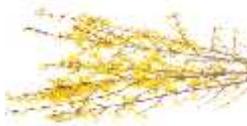
Recyclable materials and key points on recycling

Recyclable materials (√)		Non-Recyclable materials (×)	Key points on recycling
Cardboard		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wax paper, carbon paper, thermal paper, moisture resistant paper, self-adhesive paper 2. Labels and adhesive tape attached to paper 3. Lamination paper 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remove tapes, staples, paper clips, etc. 2. Avoid wet or contaminated waste paper 3. Keep the waste paper clean and dry
Poster, leaflet, newspaper, magazine			
Office paper			
Foam containers/wrap (Polystyrene, PS)	 	non-woven fabric 	Foam containers/wrap (Polystyrene, PS) Packaging stretch film / Bubble wrap (PE) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reuse the packaging materials or use reusable materials instead 2. Keep the packaging materials clean and dry
Packaging stretch film / Bubble wrap (PE)	 		

Recyclable materials and key points on recycling

Recyclable materials (√)		Non-Recyclable materials (×)	Key points on recycling
Plastic bottle and cup		Liquid and food inside the container	 Please drink or poured out the liquid before recycle the bottle/cup
Metal			
Glass			
Food Waste		Packaging, big bones, shells	Please refer to the following Code of Practice published by Organic Resources Recovery Centre 
Wood pallet and other wood materials			1. Reuse/upcycle as much as possible 2. For wooden materials to be recycled directly, maximum size is 5cm×5cm×100cm
Wooden board			

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Recyclable materials (√)		Non-Recyclable materials (×)	Key points on recycling
Thick branch			Thick branches will be transferred to recyclers by the organiser, and then cut into suitable size
Wilted flower		Hard flower stem, woody plants' stem, turf with soil 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Only collect the flowers, leaves, grass, and soft flower stem 2. Separate into soils, flower pots and wilted flowers, and place them in the corresponding recycling bins
Plastic flower pot		Nursery bags 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. The roots with soil cannot be recycled
Plastic tray			
Soil		The roots cannot be mixed into the soil	
Flowers suitable for replanting			Transplanting or giving away