

# **Overview of Compliant Checkout Bags for Walpole**

## ***Paper bags***

- ✓ 100% Recyclable
- ✓ Contains at least 40% post-consumer recycled material
- ✓ Labeled as such on outside of bag

- ✗ Paper bag with no labels
- ✗ Paper bag with plastic handles
- ✗ Paper bag with wax lining

## ***Reusable bags***

- ✓ At least 0.004 inches in thickness for the entire bag
  - ✓ Made of:
    - ✓ natural fibers (such as cotton or linen)
    - ✓ durable , non-toxic plastic
    - ✗ polyethylene or polyvinyl chloride
  - ✓ Advertised & sold as reusable bags
  - ✓ Can carry 25 pounds over a distance of 300 feet
  - ✓ Is machine washable or made of a material that can be cleaned or disinfected more than 125 times
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- ✗ Less than 0.004 inches thickness anywhere on the bag
  - ✗ Customer not being told the bag is reusable
  - ✗ Not cleanable (either through machine washing or disinfecting processes)
  - ✗ Not strong enough to carry 25 pounds over a distance of 300 feet.