

# Banning Plastic Grocery Bags in Hamilton.

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**Ban Plastic Grocery Bags in Hamilton Ontario.**

340 have signed.

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- Each year an estimated 500 billion plastic bags are consumed world wide, which is equivalent to 1 million plastic bags being consumed per minute.
- In the ocean plastic is broken down into very small pieces - microplastics - which can then be consumed by fish and are indigestible.
- 90% of seabirds are found to have consumed some kind of plastic.
- One in three marine mammals are found to have been entangled in marine litter

The ban would include:

Plastic shopping and grocery bags

The ban would exclude:

Plastic wrapping and waste bags.

The ban would work in the form of a fine.