

Different Types of Plastic & Uses

Types of Plastic	Uses
Polyethylene Terephthalate (PETE or PET)	Soda bottles, Water bottles, Salad dressing bottles, Medicine jars, Peanut butter jars, Jelly jars, Combs, Bean bags, Rope, Tote bags, Carpet, Fiberfill material in winter clothing
High-Density Polyethylene (HDPE)	Milk jugs, Juice containers, Grocery bags, Trash bags, Motor oil containers, Shampoo and conditioner bottles, Soap bottles, Detergent containers, Bleach containers, Toys
Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)	Some tote bags, Plumbing pipes, Grocery bags, Tile, Cling films, Shoes, Gutters, Window frames, Ducts, Sewage pipes
Low-Density Polyethylene (LDPE)	Cling wrap, Sandwich bags, Squeezable bottles for condiments such as honey and mustard, Grocery bags, Frozen food bags, Flexible container lids
Polypropylene (PP)	Plastic diapers, Tupperware, Kitchenware, Margarine tubs, Yogurt containers, Prescription bottles, Stadium cups, Bottle caps, Take-out containers, Disposable cups and plates
Polystyrene or Styrofoam (PS)	Disposable coffee cups, Plastic food boxes, Take-out containers, Plastic cutlery, Packing foam, Packing peanuts
Miscellaneous Plastics (polycarbonate, polycarbonate, polyethylene, acrylic, acrylonitrile butadiene, styrene, fiberglass, and nylon)	Plastic CDs and DVDs, Baby bottles, Large water bottles with multiple-gallon capacity, Medical storage containers, Eyeglasses, Exterior lighting fixtures
Microplastics (Plastic fragments)	(Extremely problematic for ocean life.) Tires, synthetic clothing, tennis balls, laundry and dishwasher pods/tablets, cigarette butts, Glitter, Wet wipes, Tea bags
Microbeads	(Extremely problematic for ocean life.) Some facial scrubs, toothpaste and body wash, but they may also be in lipstick, eyeliner, sunscreen, deodorant, nail polish and other care products