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# Fluorinated Chemicals in Bagasse Product Food Packaging

Recent market pressures take aim at common additive

# AmerCareRoyal - Dedicated To A Higher Standard.

AmerCareRoyal is dedicated to the research, manufacturing and distribution of the highest standard of products for the food service industry. Our top priority is providing FDA compliant food service products that are both convenient and economical.

# What Are Fluorinated Chemicals & Why Are They Used In Food Packaging?

Fluorinated chemicals also known as polyfluorinated alkyl substances (PFAS) are a group of synthetic chemicals that are added to products like non-stick cookware and food containers to provide resistance to oil and stains.

#### Are All PFAS Approved By The FDA For Food Contact?

No. Though several types of C8 long-chain PFAS including PFOA and FOS are banned, C6 or short-chain PFAS substances are FDA approved for food contact.

#### Do AmerCareRoyal's Bagasse Items Contain C6 PFAS?

Yes. Bagasse take-out and disposable packaging manufacturers use a grease resistant additive that does contain C6 PFAS — which is approved by the FDA for food contact.

## AmerCareRoyal Products Comply With FDA Regulations

Our bagasse food service disposables are made from renewable sources, fully compostable and provide maximum consumer convenience with minimized environmental impact. All AmerCareRoyal bagasse disposables conform with FDA food contact guidelines and are ASTM D6868 compliant.

# What is AmerCareRoyal Doing About The Continued Use of PFAS In Disposable Packaging? AmerCareRoyal is:

- Monitoring our manufactures through our procurement team to ensure that AmerCareRoyal products maintain adherence to FDA guidelines.
  - Continuing to work with independent testing facilities to ensure that all our manufactures' products adhere to FDA guidelines.
  - Regularly evaluating the BPI's requirements to ensure our ongoing certification.
  - Actively working with USA based experts and our international supply chain vendor partners to develop alternative formulations for compostable molded fiber products that will adhere to FDA guidelines for food contact and uphold BPI certifications.

## Contact AmerCareRoyal With Questions.

For more information about bagasse and our array of alternative product selections, please contact an AmerCareRoyal sales representative.