NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY Regulations for Campus Plastic Reduction

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National Taiwan University (NTU or "the University") formulates the *Regulations for Campus Plastic Reduction* ("the Regulations") in order to practice a sustainable and ecofriendly campus lifestyle, reduce the use of single-use plastic products, improve resource consumption practices, mitigate environmental pollution issues, and raise awareness of plastic reduction on campus. The Regulations recommend practical measures that can be implemented during relevant meetings, events, and training sessions in the hopes of contributing to Goal 12, "Responsible Consumption and Production," of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Article 1 Definition of "single-use plastic products"

Food packaging, shopping bags, straws, beverage cups, plastic bottles, cup lids, takeout food containers, disposable utensils, stirrers, condiment packets, plastic containers, and the like.

Article 2 Recommended practices

- 1. For meetings, training sessions, and events
 - (1) Encourage attendees to bring their own reusable cups and utensils.
 - (2) Encourage the provision of utensils and beverage cups rental services during events.
 - (3) Set up water dispensers or refillable water jugs to reduce the use of packaged drinking water.
 - (4) Refrain from supplying paper cups or plastic stationery.
 - (5) Avoid the use of plastic food containers.
 - (6) Prohibit the provision of disposable chopsticks and plastic spoons.
 - (7) Properly sort waste for recycling.
 - (8) Include reminders such as "in support of reducing single-use plastics, please bring your own reusable cup and utensils" in meeting notices, training notices, and event information.

2. For office administration

- (1) Encourage the use of reusable bags and containers.
- (2) Encourage the purchase of products with eco-labels.

- (3) Encourage staff to bring their own toiletries when traveling for work.
- (4) Avoid purchasing items with excessive packaging and increase the reuse of packaging materials.
- (5) Avoid using single-use plastic products and increase the reuse of items.
- (6) Actively promote plastic reduction initiatives to raise environmental awareness.
- (7) Incorporate plastic reduction measures into contracts with outsourced contractors as well as facility rental regulations.

3. For on-campus dining

- (1) Encourage the use of reusable shopping bags.
- (2) Encourage choosing products with minimal or no packaging.
- (3) Encourage carrying around reusable water bottles, containers, and utensils.
- (4) Encourage dining in to reduce waste from takeout packaging.
- (5) Recommend that food vendors offer discounts for customers bringing their own utensils and reduce plastic packaging.