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# 2024 Green Initiatives

Our Continued Commitment to Sustainability

At ReadyCare, we strive to preserve an ongoing commitment to sustainability. From the procurement of only recyclable & alternative plastics in our private label packaging, our pledge to donate overstocked products to those in need and the use of local manufacturers for many of our personal care liquids, ReadyCare's environmentally friendly practices continue to grow each year.



## Our Bulk Liquids

NATURAL COLLECTION: Our Natural Collection of amenities is free of sulfates, parabens, synthetic fragrances and dyes. It includes shampoo, conditioner, shower gel, lotion, mouthwash, shave gel, hair gel and more.

BODY ECLIPSE SPA LINE: Our signature Body Eclipse Professional Spa® line and our Natural Collection are manufactured locally; as are many of the other products that we carry.

ENTIERE RAIN FOREST: We carry Entiere Rain Forest fine quality personal care products, which create economic alternatives to deforestation by using ingredients harvested with sustaining care from the world's most threatened rain forests.



## **Packaging**

- All of our bottles, tubes, dispensers and gallon jugs are recyclable (depending on your local availability). See pg. 3 for the list of plastics used by ReadyCare.
- Our custom silk-screening produces less waste and toxins (and looks better) than paper labels.
- When possible, we use UV inks for silk-screening, which contain no solvents/VOCs.
- · We buy sanitized, recycled linens for use as cleaning cloths.













#### EcoEclipse® Shower/Vanity Dispensers

Developed by ReadyCare, EcoEclipse is an eco-friendly 8oz shower dispenser. It's currently used in over 300,000 hotel rooms and thousands of spas to reduce plastic waste & deliver better guest experiences. Each dispenser keeps 1,000 in-room bottles out of the landfill annually.



#### DoveLok® Personal Care Dispensers

A 12 oz Stand-alone Dispenser Bottle with a Hidden Bracket System that allows guests to use your shower liquids without fumbling with a large dispensing system. This customizable unit was designed to be eco-friendly, simple to maintain and extremely cost effective.



#### Sustainable Production Practices

ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY STORAGE MATERIALS: We limit production waste as much as possible, and any extras are used for samples. The few that are not fit for samples, we are sure to recycle. We also recycle ink & toner cartridges, electronics, office paper, junk mail, magazines, cardboard, packaging and all types of bottles and cans. We limit plastic bottle waste with a water filter and washable glasses. We re-use boxes, packing peanuts etc. when ever possible. The corrugated packaging we buy is recycled.

We actively recycle our bulk drums by rotating to and from the various manufacturers. We utilize the same truck/trailer that delivers the finished goods to us and have them return the empty bulk drums on their back-haul trip to the manufacturers, reducing carbon emissions from transit.

We have and continue to review green material options with our suppliers and will continue to look at these alternatives and find more ways to become greener.













## **Eco-Friendly In-Room Amenities**

Made from environmentally friendly materials, our new eco-friendly in-room amenities were design with a focus on the environment. From straw plastics created with new environmentally friendly polymers to renewable bamboo combs and tooth brushes, this collection will help our clients to go green and reduce waste.



#### Eco-Friendly & Biodegradable Dental Care

The ReadyBrush bamboo, pre-pasted toothbrush is biodegradable, sustainable and naturally antimicrobial. It's handle is made from sustainable, organically grown bamboo.

The ReadyFloss RENEW Floss Pick is the eco-friendly and convenient way to floss. It's made from a plant-based polymer, sealed in biodegradable packaging and helps clean teeth and freshen breath anytime... anywhere.



# Biodegradable Wet Bag

This Biodegradable\* Film has been tested and proved as biodegradable\* and safe for the environment by ASTM D5209, ISO 14855 / ASTM 5511 / ASTM D5538 standard testing methods. All sorts of factors determine the amount of microbes available in the soil and the soil conditions determine the rate of degradation.

\*49.28% biodegradation in 900 days under non-typical conditions. No evidence of further biodegradation.











#### Packaging Plastics & Our Commitment To Using Recyclable Materials

Listed below are the various types of plastics used by ReadyCare along with their corresponding recycling symbols. Though not all plastics are recyclable, ReadyCare does its best to ensure that the plastic used in our packaging are recyclable.



#### PET - Polyethylene **Terephthalate**

RCLUSES: Most bottles.

Polyethylene Terephthalate sometimes absorbs odors and flavors from foods and drinks that are stored in them. Items made from this plastic are commonly recycled. PET(E) plastic is used to make many common household items like beverage bottles, medicine jars, rope, clothing and carpet fiber.



# LDPE - Low Density Polypropylene

RCI USES: In-room tubes & a few bottles

Low-Density Polyethylene are historically not accepted by most American curbside recycling programs. Nevertheless, more and more communities are starting to accept it these days. It is a very healthy plastic that tends to be both durable and flexible. Items such as cling-film, sandwich bags, squeezable bottles, and plastic grocery bags are made from LDPE.



#### ABS - Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene

RCI USES: EcoEclipse Dispenser Brackets

ABS has a strong resistance to corrosive chemicals and/or physical impacts and can be recycled. It is very easy to machine and has a low melting temperature making it particularly simple to use in injection molding manufacturing processes or 3D printing on an FDM machine. ABS is relatively harmless in that it doesn't have any known carcinogens, and there are no known adverse health effects related to exposure to ABS.



# HDPE - High Density Polyethylene

RCI USES: A small selection of bottles.

High-Density Polyethylene products are very safe and are not known to transmit any chemicals into foods or drinks. HDPE products are commonly recycled. Items made from this plastic include containers for milk, motor oil, shampoos and conditioners, soap bottles, detergents, and bleaches.



#### PP - Polypropylene

RCI USES: Most Pumps, Caps & Sprayers

Polypropylene is occasionally recycled. PP is strong and can usually withstand higher temperatures. It is used to make lunch boxes. margarine containers, yogurt pots, syrup bottles, prescription bottles. Plastic bottle caps are often made from PP.



ALU - Aluminum

RCI USES: We have a small selection of bottles



Aluminum is a silvery-white, lightweight metal. It is soft and malleable. Aluminum is used in a huge variety of products including cans, foils, kitchen utensils, window frames, beer kegs and airplane parts. This is because of its particular properties. Aluminum is the most recyclable of all materials. Discarded aluminum is more valuable than any other item in the recycling bin.











#### Our Ingredients

Our goal is to answer your guestions about what's in our products by always providing ingredient information that is clear, reliable, and accessible. If you don't find what your looking for on our website, please let us know.

Some people prefer natural ingredients over products that contain any synthetic ones. The truth is, there are safe and unsafe aspects of all types of ingredients. That being said, we always strive to provide products with elements that are more naturally sourced, and though naturals may be more appealing, Ready Care must still maintain their safety and efficacy for use in our personal care products. Being natural alone does not always translate to being "safe" even water and sunshine have limits of safety.

The expectation that natural ingredients are more sustainable because in theory, they use less energy to source and require fewer resources. The reality is that sustainability of any product ingredients depend on specific usage, context of use, and energy consumption in harvesting/creating it. Ultimately, we seek to source the best ingredients so that you can use them with the confidence and assurance that Ready Care always strives for the most sustainable, earth-friendly solutions.

#### **INGREDIENTS WE DO NOT USE:**

- Alkylphenols and alkylphenol ethoxylates
- Bisphenol A (not in formulas\*)
- Heavy metals; Arsenic, Lead, Chromium VI, Mercury, Cobalt, Cadmium, Nickel.
- Organotins (TBT, DBT, MBT, DOT,)
- PVC (not in formulas\*)
- PAHs (Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons)
- PCBs (Polychlorinated byphenyls)
- Pthalates
- Microbeads Benzene
- Triclosan
- Triclocarban

#### Preservative Statement

Preservatives help keep all of us safe by preventing the growth of bacteria and mold during the use of consumer products. Different product types need different preservatives that work best for that particular formula. You can rest assured that all of our preservatives comply with applicable regulations and safe limits wherever they may be sold or distributed.

We have strict product safety limits in place when any of these materials could be found in trace amounts due to their natural occurring, background presence in water, the environment, or as part of the manufacturing process. \*We do not use BPA or PVC in any product formulas. Our use of PVC or BPA is restricted to very small amounts in packaging, some ancillary items, or where deemed essential to product safety. RCI always considers all material options when creating new products.

#### PRESERVATIVES USED:

- Citric Acid (Vitamin C)
- Potassium Sorbate
- Sodium Benzoate
- · Sorbic Acid
- DMDM Hydantoin
- Benzyl Alcohol
- · Benzalkonium Chloride
- Phenoxyethanol
- Sodium Hydroxide
- Methylchoroisothiazolinone
- Methylisothiazolinone
- Parabens (not in CA)

Tetrasodium EDTA



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