

PLASTIC SINGLE-USE COTTON BUDS EXEMPTION

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From 1st November 2022, the supply of plastic single-use cotton buds is banned in NSW & ACT with other states to follow. This means that it is an offence to supply a plastic single-use cotton bud while carrying on a business in NSW & ACT, except as set out in the [Plastic Single-Use Cotton Buds and Plastic Single-Use Bowls Exemption 2022](#).

What This Means

Plastic single-use cotton buds can continue to be supplied where used for medical, scientific or forensic purposes i.e. supplied as part of a First Aid Kit, subject to the conditions of the exemption.

The EPA intends to review this exemption after two years (1 November 2024), but may still review their position at any time. [Click here](#) for more information on this exemption.

What We Are Doing

In order to meet the new legislation, we are currently in the process of transitioning from plastic stem cotton buds to bamboo stem cotton buds in our kits.

Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions.

Kind regards,



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