

How and What our Sports & School Bottles are made of

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Q Why buy our sports/school bottles and caps?

A All our sports/school bottles and caps are BSEN71 & 90/128/EEC approved making them completely safe for repeated food useage. Because we make all our bottles and caps in the UK, you can be assured that our products are made by us to the highest standard using raw materials from Approved European Suppliers.

BSEN71
(toys intended for children under 36 months)
90/128/EEC
(materials in contact with foodstuffs)

We have been established since 1983 and our European Commission Directive 90/128/EEC Certificate of Conformity Number is CP45644/BW/02 which stated that 'this product is suitable for contact with various categories of foodstuffs as detailed in EEC Council Directive 85/572/EEC'

Accept no substitutes from manufacturers or suppliers who cannot offer a valid certificate of conformity.

* Some manufacturers and suppliers state that their bottles are safe and adhere to various certificates of conformity but you should ensure that both the bottle and cap meet the required standards. You will find certain caps available on the market have rubber inserts and other such materials making them completely unsafe for children.

We are proud to produce sports/school bottles and caps to the highest standard that are completely safe for repeated food useage and children.

If you have any questions or further concerns regarding our bottles and caps please do not hesitate to contact us by telephone 0121 707 1766 or email sales@howardplastics.co.uk or visit our website on

www.howardplastics.co.uk

Q What are your sports bottles and caps made of?

A Our sports bottles and caps are made from Low Density Polyethylene (LDPE). This material is extremely safe for foodstuffs and especially appropriate for the manufacture of re-useable water and drinks bottles.

It is important to understand that concerns in relation to the risk of potentially carcinogenic element diethyl hydroxylamine (DEHA)leaking out of the plastic matrix does not apply to LDPE and relates only to a material called polyethylene terephthalate (PET). PET is typically used for containing pre-packed water and soft drinks from the major 'brand' names and is highly transparent, often with a slightly blue tint. Whilst there is much opinion on this matter, there appears to be no overall conclusion concerning the risks of PET.

You can be assured that our sports/school bottles and caps do not use PET and are completely safe for repeated food useage.

Q How do I clean my sports bottle and cap?

A We would recommend washing the bottles and caps daily in hot soapy water or in a dishwasher (top shelf only) to eradicate possible bacteria from hands and mouths. Regular sterilisation in a weak 'Milton' type solution may also be advantageous.

RECYCLE

All our industrial containers, sports/school bottles and caps are made from LDPE and HDPE.

We operate an environmental policy seeking to ensure that our waste materials are recycled or distributed accordingly



WHY RECYCLE?

The UK uses over 5 million tones of plastic each year. The UK recycles approximately 19% of all plastic consumed and is steadily increasing towards 25%.

Recycling plastic:

- Reduces the volume of waste going into landfill
- Reduces the amount of oil used for plastic production
- Reduces the amount of energy consumed