

Solution sheet – Towards a zero single-use plastic hotel

Created as part of Beyond Plastic Med's hotel training programme



Title of the solution: Dental Kit

Solution tested by: Poseidonia Beach Hotel

Single-use plastic(s) targeted: Dental Kit in paper envelope replaced dental kit being presented in carton boxes and individually placed in plastic bag inserts (dual packaging)

Area: Guest Rooms

Presentation of the alternative: This alternative is placed on demand only. Once guests ask for it, it will be delivered by a member of the housekeeping department to their rooms.

Technical and economic information: Unit Price: 0.35 euros

Social and environmental aspects: Guests request for this item has dropped by 50% in our 75-day test period. Having a paper packaging that can be recycled is very beneficial for the environment, however the drop in consumption by simply placing it on demand instead of making it available reduces waste all together.

Your advice: This amenity can very easily be placed on demand. Most guests will have their own toothbrushes with them, however if it is made available, they might use it even if they don't need it. This will oblige staff members to replenish the amenity upon check out. Our test shows that 50% of guests don't actually need it. Knowing that this item is one of the most expensive among the room amenities, reducing its consumption is also economically beneficial.