

Solution sheet – Towards a zero single-use plastic hotel

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



Title of the solution: Sewing Kit

Solution tested by: Poseidonia Beach Hotel

Single-use plastic(s) targeted: Sewing Kit in paper envelope replaced sewing 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: 0.18 euros

Social and environmental aspects: Guests have barely asked for this amenity in our 75-day test period. We only got a request for 10 units with a drop of 81% consumption. 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. Guests rarely use sewing kits, however if it is placed in the room, they might open it simply out of curiosity or take it with them even if they don't need it. This will oblige staff members to replenish the amenity the next day, which leads to higher unnecessary consumption.