



Biomass Straws Replaced with FSC® Certified Paper Straws

To be launched in approx. 3,000 stores from January 2022

【Already reduced use of disposable straws by 89% compared to 2018】

SKYLARK HOLDINGS CO., LTD. (Head Office: Musashino-shi, Tokyo; Chairman and CEO: Makoto Tani; TSE First Section: Stock Code: 3197, hereafter “Skylark”) is announcing that the Company will replace conventional biomass straws with FSC®-certified paper straws at all Skylark group stores from January 2022, as part of our efforts to reduce the use of plastic.

(FSC®N003795)



■Skylark Group Environmental Management Targets

	By 2026	By 2030
Disposable plastic usage	50% reduction from 2020 Increase the ratio of environmentally friendly materials to 50%	Reduce the percentage of petroleum-based plastics to zero

■Effects of Straw Switch (amount used) : Already reduced 89% compared to 2018

2018: Approx. 100 million straws

2019: Approx. 31 million straws (discontinued offering straws at our drink bars; provide "Skylark Biomass Straws®" to the customers upon request)

2020: Approx. 11 million straws (with customers' understanding and cooperation to conserve resources, the use of straws is decreasing year by year)

■Specifications

- FSC-certified paper straws are provided to customers who order from the drink bar “upon request”.
- FSC®-certified paper straws (large) are also provided for other large diameter straws for smoothies and tapioca drinks.

■Schedule

From January 2022, sequential switchover at approximately 3,000 stores of Skylark Group

The Skylark Group has positioned contributing to the SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals) through its business as an important management issue. We have established the Sustainability Committee and has been implementing various cross-divisional initiatives. We will continue to contribute to local communities by providing safe and secure food and will also actively work to preserve the global environment.

※FSC® certification

FSC® certification is an international certification system for responsibly managed forests and forest products that are procured in an appropriate manner to ensure that limited forest resources can continue to be used in the future.

【Company Information】

Company Name : SKYLARK HOLDINGS CO., LTD.
Representative : Makoto Tani, Chairman, President & CEO
Business Activities : Food services and related businesses
Listed Market : First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE code 3197)
Group Stores : 3,097 stores including overseas location (as of October 31 2021)

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