

What makes totes durable and long lasting?

Answer:

- 1. Some of the non-woven totes have a rigid plastic base in the bottom. Some of the bases are removable, while others are sewn in, giving additional strength.
- 2. X cross stitched handles give the totes extra resilience.
- 3. Shoulder straps sewn to the entire bag (all the way from the top to the bottom of the bag) also gives it extra durability.

Is there a difference in the handles?

Answer: You'll hear the term cross stitched. This means there is X cross stitching where the handle is attached to the tote. Cross stitching gives more strength to the handle. Another term is self-material – this means the handles are made of the same material as the tote. Webbed handles are typically stronger than the self-material handles. Another feature that gives the handles more strength and durability is a tote where the handles are sewn front and back to the entire height of the bag.

Have the totes been weight tested?

Answer: We have not had testing done. This is the information we received from our vendors:

- Non-Woven and Laminated: about 18 pounds
- Cotton: 4.5 oz. and 5 oz. about 10 pounds; 12 oz. about 20 pounds However, each tote will be slightly different based on these factors:
- 1. Weight of the grams of the polypropylene or weight of the cotton in the tote
- 2. Length of time it is being carried
- 3. Type of handles
- 4. Whether it has a base





Straps Sewn to the Entire Bag