

ORGANICS SORTING GUIDE



Organic
waste



Weekly
collection



Reduce
emissions



Happy
planet!

Did you know...

When organic material decomposes in our landfill, it produces methane; a very powerful greenhouse gas. In fact, methane is over 25 times more potent than carbon dioxide at trapping heat in the atmosphere!

Organic separation is the answer! Use your compost bin every day to capture all your organic waste. We'll take it and make compost, returning nutrients to the soil.

Is it compostable?

Look for the BPI certified logo on the packaging or product! This logo guarantees the item is compostable.

These items belong in your compost bin:



All food waste and food scraps



Food-soiled paper and cardboard, coffee filters, napkins, tea bags, parchment paper, paper towel, and tissue



Shells, bones, fish, and meat



Cut plants, nuts and seed shells, wood shavings, ash, and charcoal



Compostable packaging, dishware, and bags



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NO PLASTIC

✓ ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- All food scraps, raw and cooked (fruit, vegetables, meat, dairy)
- Baked goods
- Beeswax wraps
- Bird feed (Seed bells, suet cakes, etc.)
- Bones
- BPI certified compostable bags
- Breads, grains and dough
- Butcher paper
- Cat and dog food
- Chopsticks
- Coffee grounds and filters
- Compostable disposables (cups, plates, bowls, clamshells, cutlery)
- Compostable plastic
- Cork
- Cotton balls and cotton swabs with cardboard stem
- Dairy products
- Eggshells
- Fibre based egg cartons (not styrofoam)
- Fish
- Hair and fur
- Matches (used)
- Nail clippings
- Natural fibre fabric (cotton, hemp, bamboo, flax, etc.)
- Nutshells
- Packaging labeled as “oxo-biodegradable”
- Paper towels, napkins and tissues
- Pencil shavings
- Pizza boxes and soiled cardboard (must be broken down to fit in your bin)
- Plants and flowers
- Soiled paper
- Tea and paper tea bags
- Waxed and parchment paper
- Wood shavings, ash and charcoal
- Wooden stir sticks



✗ UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Animal waste, litter
- Chip bags and wrappers
- Diapers and baby wipes
- Disinfectant wipes
- Disposable coffee cups (e.g. Tim Hortons, Starbucks)
- Foil
- Glass
- Liquids (juice, pop, oil, coffee, milk, etc.)
- Menstrual products
- Metal
- Milk and ice cream cartons
- Paint
- Paraffin wax and candles
- Plastic
- Plastic bags
- Plastic wrap
- Recyclables
- Sandpaper
- Styrofoam
- Wax crayons



Please recycle

If there is anything not mentioned on this list do not hesitate to get in touch! We can be reached by email at info@compostwinnipeg.ca or by phone **204-232-0025**.

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