



City of Fairfax Composting Center

Detailed List



ACCETABLE ITEMS

- Apple cores
- Banana peels
- Bones of fish, chicken, and meats
- Bread
- Brown paper bags
- Carrot tops
- Cauliflower stalks
- Cheese
- Chop sticks (wooden)
- Citrus fruits
- Cloth paper
- Coconut husks and shell
- Coffee grounds and filters
- Compostable kitchenware
- Compostable plastics
- Cooked food
- Corks
- Corn
- Cotton materials (rags, clothing)
- Cup sleeves
- Dairy waste (butter, cheese, yogurt)
- Dryer lint
- Egg shells
- Eggs
- Feathers
- Fish
- Flowers
- Food cooked in oil
- Freezer-burned foods
- Fruit and vegetable scraps
- Fruits and vegetables
- Grains (pasta, bread, rice, cereal)
- Hair clippings
- Hemp materials
- Houseplant trimmings
- Human and animal hair
- Indoor sweepings
- Leather
- Mango and tamarins seeds
- Meat
- Nail clippings
- Napkins
- Nut shells
- Onions and garlic
- Paper products (towels, plates, bowls)
- Paper to-go packaging
- Paper ware (with wax lining)
- Pasta
- Pencil shavings
- Pineapple head and skin
- Pizza
- Pizza boxes and other food spoiled cardboard
- Powdered milk
- Rotten vegetables
- Rotten food leftovers
- Shells from seafood
- Silk materials
- Stalks, roots
- String
- Sugar cane
- Tea bags (remove metal staple)
- Tea leaves
- Tissue paper
- Tomatoes
- Watermelon rinds
- Wax paper
- Wool

"If you can eat it, you can compost it"

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Aluminum foil (recycle)
- Animal or human waste
- Aquarium water or sludge
- Batteries
- Broken glass
- Buckets
- Candles, crayons, wax
- Cardboard that is NOT food soiled
- CDs-DVDs
- Chemicals
- Coal
- Cosmetics
- Dangerous items
- Diapers
- Envelopes (recycle)
- Foil wrappers and shrink packaging
- Glass bottles (recycle)
- Glossy, slick colored paper (recycle)
- Herbicides
- Hot to-go cups
- Inorganic materials
- K-cups (unless is says compostable)
- Kitty litter
- Magazines (recycle)
- Medical waste
- Medicine
- Metal cans (recycle)
- Newspaper (recycle)
- Packaging (shipping boxes)
- Paper ware with plastic lining
- Plastic bags, cups and bottles (recycle)
- Plastic lined fast-food boxes
- Receipts (recycle)
- Rubber bands
- Soiled bandages
- Tissues (used)
- Toxins
- Treated woods
- Twist ties

"When in doubt, leave it out"