



# COMPOSTING CENTER

## ACCEPTABLE ITEMS GUIDE



\*These items can also be composted in your backyard.  
Learn how at [fairfaxva.gov/composting](http://fairfaxva.gov/composting)



Fruits and Vegetables



Egg Shells



Coffee Grounds  
and Filters



Meat and Bones



Seafood and Shellfish



Bread, Pasta and Grains



Leftovers and Spoiled Food



Dairy Products



Tea Bags  
(remove metal staples)



Food Soiled Paper



\*Certified Compostable  
Bags/Products



Paper Bags and Plates  
(no plastic coating, wax okay)



Twist Ties



Plastic Bags



Oil or Crisco



Styrofoam



Recyclables

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# COMPOSTING CENTER PAPER GUIDE



Food Soiled Cardboard and Paper

Napkins

Paperware  
(No plastic coating, not shiny)



Wax Paper

Paper Bags

Paper To-Go Containers  
(No plastic coating, not shiny)

Tissue Paper

**\*\*Compost items with a Compostable logo on it\*\***



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Biodegradable Products Institute  
US COMPOSTING COUNCIL



TRASH



Plastic Coated  
Cups



Food Soiled Plastic Coated  
Cardboard/Paper



Plastic Coated  
Paperware

RECYCLE



Newspaper and  
Inserts



Magazines



Shipping Boxes



Envelopes



Receipts



Plastic Coated  
Cardboard (Clean)