

Food Scraps & Organics Transfer Station Collection



Composting is an easy way to reduce your household's methane emissions.

**Did you know?** In 2020 a waste audit revealed that 38.3% of the waste being sent to landfill in Pemberton was compostable.

## How to collect organics?

- Consider a countertop container and a larger container you can take with you to the transfer station.
- Separate food scraps (peels, inedible odds and ends, food past its prime that cannot be used in smoothies, soups, baking, etc.) from other materials.
- Drop off your organics once a week or when you drop off your recyclables at the Transfer Station.

Examples of material to separate:

# **Packaging**



Recycle

#### Stickers



\*Garbage

#### **Elastics**



\*Re-use

# **Kitchen Catcher & Green Bin\* Tips**

# Line it



Line your countertop container with newspaper to prevent food from sticking to the bottom.

### Wrap it



Use a piece of newspaper to cover your work area. When finished, wrap it all up and drop it in the bin.

#### Freeze it



Freeze stinky food items like meat and fish until your trip to the transfer station.

#### Rinse it



Rinse your kitchen catcher and green bin every time you empty them. Let dry before using. Check if your container is dishwasher friendly!

If smell persists, sprinkle baking soda.

## What goes in, what stays out



Meat, fish, bones

Food soiled paper (napkins, pizza boxes, paper bags)

Fruit & vegetable scraps

Food leftovers, plate scrapings

Dairy products

**Eggshells** 

Bread, cereal, grains

Baked goods, candies, herbs and spices

Coffee filters, grounds

**Nuts and shells** 

Paper tea bags (can you rip it?)

Solidified fats and grease

Houseplants, cuts and dried flowers





Plastic or compostable utensils (garbage)

Plastic or compostable take-out containers (garbage)

Plastic or compostable cups (garbage)

Invasive species (bag and garbage)

Pet waste (garbage)

Stickers (garbage)

**Diapers and baby wipes** (garbage)

Sanitary hygiene products (garbage)

Soil and rocks



# **Compostable plastics**

Keep compostable and biodegradable plastics out of the green bin, including PLA 7 products. They do not break down completely at our local facility and create challenges.

# Make Soil Not Waste

Keep nurtients in your local economy







#### **Questions?**

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