

# WHAT GOES IN THE COMPOST CART?

The items collected from the compost carts will not be processed at the traditional compost yard. The compost will be processed mechanically by *Enviroclean Landfill Solutions* in Morden, Manitoba.

These items listed can be placed in the compost cart:

## OLD FOOD



- Chicken carcass, whole
- Meat bones – raw or cooked
- Meat products – raw or cooked
- Eggs, including shells
- Coffee grounds and filters
- Tea bags
- Food crumbs from the counters and floors
- Plain cooked pastas
- Plain cooked rice
- Paper towel rolls
- Stale saltine crackers
- Stale cereal
- Stale bread
- Stale pretzels and chips
- Stale beer and wine
- Old herbs and spices
- Moldy cheese
- Melted ice cream
- Paper cupcake or muffin cups
- Old jelly, jam, or preserves (removed from jar)
- Nut shells (except walnut shells)
- Any vegetable or fruit, and peels
- Pizza crusts

## PARTY ITEMS & DÉCOR



- Certified compostable cups and utensils
- Wrapping paper rolls
- Paper table cloths
- Crepe paper streamers
- Certified biodegradable plastic bags
- Raffia
- Excelsior

## KITCHEN ITEMS



- Greasy pizza boxes, ripped into smaller pieces
- Used paper napkins
- Paper bags, either ripped or balled up
- Wax coated beverage cups (i.e., Tim Hortons)
- Wine corks (real cork)
- Paper egg cartons
- Any wet, soiled paper or cardboard
- Toothpicks
- Bamboo skewers
- Used paper plates (without a glossy coating)

## PLANTS & ORGANICS



- Leaves trimmed from houseplants
- Dead houseplants and their soil
- Flowers from floral arrangements
- Natural potpourri
- Jack o' Lanterns
- Small hay bales used in outdoor décor
- Natural holiday wreaths
- Real evergreen garlands
- Garden refuse and old soil
- Grass clippings and leaves

## AROUND-THE-HOUSE ITEMS



- Dryer lint
- 100% cotton clothing (cut into smaller pieces)
- Old wool clothing (cut into smaller pieces)
- Bills and other paper documents
- Shredded paper
- Envelopes (except the plastic window)
- Pencil shavings
- Sticky notes
- Business cards (except with glossy coat)
- Receipts
- Newspapers (torn into smaller pieces)
- Subscription cards from magazines
- Used matches

### The 'General Rules' of Compost:

If it used to grow, then it is compostable.  
If it contains any glass, plastic, metal, petroleum oil, or chemicals then it is not compostable.

## BABY & PERSONAL CARE ITEMS



- Used facial tissues
- Hair from hairbrushes
- Toilet paper rolls
- Old loofahs (not plastic)
- Nail clippings
- 100% Cotton, cotton balls
- Cotton swabs - 100% cotton (no plastic sticks)
- Disposable face wipes - compostable/biodegradable
- Baby wipes - compostable/biodegradable
- Diapers –compostable/biodegradable
- Feminine hygiene - organic and biodegradable

## PET ITEMS



- Fur from the dog or cat brush
- Cat litter – organic materials, including clay litter
- Dog *poo* (in compostable bags)
- Droppings and bedding from rabbit/gerbil/hamsters
- Newspaper/droppings from the bottom of bird cages
- Feathers
- Alfalfa hay or pellets (i.e., rabbit food)
- Rawhide dog chews
- Fish food
- Dry or wet dog/cat food

# WHAT GOES IN THE RECYCLING CART?

There is no need to sort the recycling placed into the recycling cart. However, plastic bags or shredded paper should be in a tied bag to keep it together, and items should be crushed to maintain space.

Items that can be recycled include: tin or aluminum cans, glass, newspapers, unsoiled paper or cardboard, and all plastics numbered #1 through #7. Numbers are indicated inside the recycling symbol on most plastic items.

