What can I put in my Foodscraps360 Compost Bin?

Foodscraps360 partners with the Town of Bethlehem Compost Facility to process our beautiful compost. They pride themselves in having a clean, quality compost product, so your help in keeping out contaminants is key!

Clean YES

Food Waste

- fruits & veggies -include stems, skins, pits, seeds, corncobs - REMOVE STICKERS
- ✓ coffee grounds
- ✓ non-synthetic tea bags please remove staples
- ✓ eggs & eggshells
- ✓ meat & fish, including bones
- lobster shells ok, but not mussels, clam, oysters— (they don't break down)
- ✓ nuts & coconut shells

Household Items

- ✓ wood: toothpicks, popsicle sticks, chopsticks, utencils
- ✓ pet food (no pet waste)
- house plants & flowers remove tags and rubber bands; no potting soil (that can be put in yard or used again)

Food-Soiled Paper & Compostables

- **Clean paper and cardboard are better recycled. We take the following items that are <u>food-soiled only</u>, but not chemical or cleaner-soiled. And please tear them into manageable pieces.
- ✓ food-soiled napkins & paper towels**
- ▼ food-soiled cardboard egg cartons**
- food-soiled pizza boxes if top half is clean, tear off and recycle

*Clean paper should be recycled to save trees!!

Contamination NO

Packaging

- **X**ABSOLUTELY NO PLASTIC: cups, containers, candy wrap, chip bags (even "compostable plastic" items, as many are full of chemicals)
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- ➤ NO PRODUCE STICKERS, meat packaging, styrofoam
- ×NO "Compostable" Utencils wooden ones are OK!
- NO TAKE OUT CONTAINERS

 (non-shiny cardboard containers are OK!)

Household Items

- ×NO bodily fluids
- ×NO ash (no stove, grill, or fireplace ash)
- ×NO compostable diapers or sanitary products
- **XNO PET WASTE, including cat litter**
- NO dead animals
- ×NO grass clippings
- NO laundry lint or dryer sheets
- NO textiles (there is a bin in Delmar corner of Rt 32 and Elm Ave. that takes textiles: www.nytextiles.org)
- ×NO dental floss or q-tips

Paper

- ➤ NO mail envelopes, shiny paper, magazines, cereal boxes, shredded paper (these are better recycled)
- ×NO plastic or waxed cardboard
- NO chemically-soiled paper: disinfectant wipes or paper soiled with machine oil, house paint, cleaners, etc.



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