



## GREEN BAY'S ONLY CURBSIDE COMPOST PICKUP SERVICE

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ACCEPTABLE & NOT ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS FOR INCLUSION IN OUR COMPOST BUCKETS	
ACCEPTABLE 😊	NOT ACCEPTABLE ☹️
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bagels, biscuits, breads, cereal, crackers, croissants, pastas, rice, etc.; really any grains are ok</li> <li>• Brown paper products (such as plain packing paper, paper towel/toilet paper tubes, &amp; paper bags)</li> <li>• Cotton balls &amp; Q-tip brand cotton swabs (only if they've had no contact with chemicals or make-up)</li> <li>• Dead/dying houseplants &amp; garden waste (unless diseased or chemically-treated); root balls are ok</li> <li>• Decorative pumpkins, gourds, straw bales, corn stalks (no paint or items preserved with bleach, please!)</li> <li>• Egg shells (preferably crushed)</li> <li>• Fall leaves, preferably shredded (no grass, please!)</li> <li>• Fruit &amp; vegetable cores, husks, peels, rinds, scraps, trimmings, etc. / old or expired fruits &amp; vegetables (with all stickers, tape, &amp; plastic removed, please!)</li> <li>• Herbivorous animal droppings (such as from chickens, rabbits, etc.), as well as worm "castings"</li> <li>• Newspaper (B&amp;W &amp; colored ok; remove shiny inserts!)</li> <li>• Nuts &amp; nut shells (but no black walnut, please!)</li> <li>• Old/nutrient-depleted potting soil (perlite is ok)</li> <li>• Plain/matte (non-shiny/glossy) paper &amp; cardboard, such as waste paper, boxes, and egg cartons (with plastic, stamps, tape, &amp; staples removed; no receipts, please!); B&amp;W &amp; colored ok; <b>NO MACHINE-SHREDDED MATERIAL WITHOUT WRITTEN PERMISSION, PLEASE</b></li> <li>• Plain toothpicks, sawdust, wine corks, &amp; wood shavings (made from untreated, natural wood only)</li> <li>• Spent coffee grounds &amp; paper coffee filters</li> <li>• Tea bags, strings, &amp; tags (if made of paper or cotton)</li> <li>• Undyed, 100% cotton or wool (no dryer lint, please!)</li> <li>• Used/soiled paper towels (as long as they haven't touched chemicals) &amp; plain/matte pizza boxes</li> <li>• Vegan candies, chocolates, &amp; baked goods</li> <li>• Wood ash (from untreated, natural wood only!)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ashes, charcoal, or coal derived from anything other than untreated, natural wood</li> <li>• Baked goods that are coated or covered with dairy-based products such as cheese powder or frosting</li> <li>• Black walnut products (including hulls), as they include a chemical known as juglone, which is toxic to plants</li> <li>• Chemicals or hard liquors of any kind</li> <li>• Dairy products (such as cheese, milk, and yogurt)</li> <li>• Diapers, whether used or not</li> <li>• Diseased or chemically-treated plants</li> <li>• Dryer lint of any kind (due to risk of contaminants)</li> <li>• Feces (including "manure") from any animals besides the ones mentioned in the Acceptable column at left or urine from any source</li> <li>• Feminine hygiene products, whether used or not</li> <li>• Glass of any kind (regardless of how dull or sharp)</li> <li>• Glossy, shiny, or non-stick paper of any kind, including wax, parchment, and "baking" paper</li> <li>• Human or pet hair (due to risk of chemicals on them)</li> <li>• Lawn mower clippings &amp; other yard waste (due to the risk of toxins, such as weed killer contamination)</li> <li>• Large volumes of non-dairy liquids, such as beer, coffee, juice, nut milks, tea, &amp; wine (a little bit is ok)</li> <li>• Leather goods (as they decompose extremely slowly)</li> <li>• Meat (such as beef, chicken, lamb, pork, etc.) &amp; bones</li> <li>• Metal of any kind (including tea bag staples)</li> <li>• Pine cones, sticks, twigs, &amp; other large pieces of wood</li> <li>• Plastic of any kind (including stickers and rubber bands on fruits &amp; vegetables), including Styrofoam</li> <li>• Receipts (which are made of toxic "thermal paper")</li> <li>• Synthetic fabrics of any kind (such as nylon, polyester, or spandex)</li> <li>• Toe &amp; finger nail clippings (due to the risk of certain fungi &amp; contaminants from nail polish/polish remover)</li> </ul>

**RULE OF THUMB: When in doubt, throw it out!**