BACKYARD COMPOST BIN

WHY SHOULD I COMPOST?

There are several reasons to compost in your backyard. Composting creates a free, nutrient-rich soil amendment that helps conserve water, controls weeds and reduces or eliminates the need for chemical fertilizers. Also, it can save you money on trash disposal. Food scraps, yard waste and compostable paper make up about 31 percent of an average household's waste.

BENEFITS OF COMPOST

- Compost provides valuable nutrients and organic matter to the soil.
- Compost reduces the need for chemical fertilizers and pesticides.
- Compost improves soil structure, improving the soil porosity and bulk density to ensure a healthier root environment for your plantings.
- Compost filters and breaks down pollutants, protecting our groundwater supply. Compost increases the water retention of soil, reducing watering needs.

Residents may deliver yard waste and purchase US Composting Council STA Certified compost product and/or backyard compost bins at the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency at 999 Flatbush Road in Kingston.

COMPOST FOR PURCHASE (PICK-UP ONLY)

Mon—Sat: 7 AM - 4 PM Sun: CLOSED

Per ton: \$30

Minimum Load Fee: \$20

FOOD SCRAPS/YARD WASTE DROP-OFF (COMMERCIAL ONLY)

Mon—Sat: 7 AM - 4 PM Sun: CLOSED

Food Scraps: \$20 per ton Yard Waste: \$40 per ton

MAIN OFFICE

845.336.0600

Mon - Fri: 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Sat — Sun: CLOSED

Compost Bins: \$55

Rain Barrels: \$65

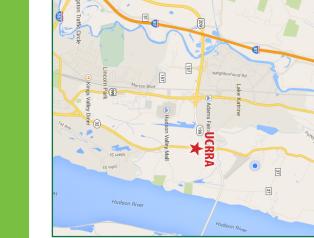
Kitchen Caddy: \$10

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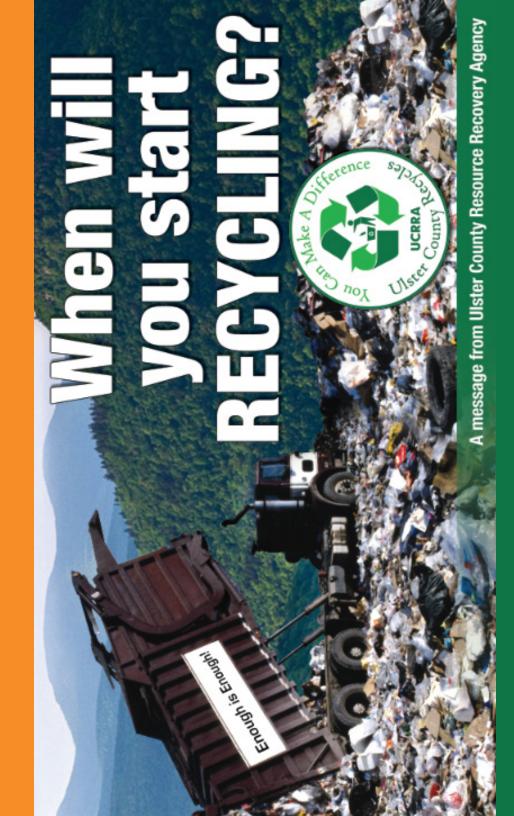
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Scan the QR Code or visit ucrra.org for more info

RECYCLING MADE

EASY







PUT THESE ITEMS IN YOUR RECYCLING CONTAINER:

PAPER PRODUCTS

- Newspapers
- Magazines & Catalogs
- ✓ Computer / Copy / Fax Paper
- ✓ Writing / Ledger Paper
- ✓ Phonebooks
- ✓ Junk Mail (including envelopes, coupons, ads & inserts)
- ✓ Wrapping Paper
- ✓ Greeting Cards
- ✓ All Thin Cardboard (including cereal, pasta, cracker and other food boxes, shoe boxes, tissue boxes, paper egg cartons, soda & beer packaging)
- ✓ Corrugated Cardboard & Brown Paper Bags

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NOTE: Flatten cardboard. Do not tie together, keep loose.

No wax or plastic coated paper products.

COMMINGLED PRODUCTS

- ✓ Aluminum Cans
- ✓ Tin Cans / Containers
- ✓ Glass Bottles
- Glass Jars
- ✓ Plastic Bottles (shampoo, water, soda)
- ✓ Plastic Tubs (yogurt, cottage cheese)
- ✓ Plastic Jugs (milk, juice)

RECYCLING TIP

Look for the code on the bottom of the container. If it is an item listed above AND is:

- ✓ PET #1
- ✓ PP #5
- ✓ HDPE #2
- ✓ or Other #7
- ✓ LDPE #4
- then it is recyclable!

NOTE: Please rinse all containers.

✓ Caps & lids (plastic or metal) are acceptable.

No plastic bags or plastic film − Bring them back to a participating store for recycling.

O Do not put recyclables in plastic bags.

COMPOST INGREDIENTS

PUT THESE ITEMS IN YOUR COMPOST CONTAINER:

(Acceptable items for Commercial Composting Program)

FOOD SCRAPS AND LEFTOVERS

- ✓ Meat
- ✓ Fish
- ✓ Dairy
- ✓ Fruit
- ✓ Vegetables
- ✓ Shells
- ✓ Bones
- ✓ Pasta
- ✓ Rice
- ✓ Eggshells
- ✓ Nutshells
- Bread
- ✓ Grains

FOOD-SOILED PAPER

- ✓ Coffee grounds and filters
- ✓ Tea bags
- ✓ Waxed cardboard
- ✓ Soiled paper bags
- ✓ Kitchen paper towels
- Paper napkins
- ✓ Paper egg cartons✓ Uncoated paper plates
- Absolutely no plastic

PLANTS, FLOWERS AND APPROVED COMPOSTABLE PACKAGING*



Please refer to the **Backyard Composting Guide** for residential backyard composting information. **DO NOT** include the following items in a **backyard compost bin**: meat, fish scraps, dairy products, fats, grease, oil, dog or cat feces, kitty litter, pesticide-treated plants/grass clippings, charcoal ashes, non-compostable materials such as plastics, metals or glass.



PUT THESE ITEMS IN YOUR GARBAGE CONTAINER:

- Coated paper or plastics
- ✓ Plastic Bags and Plastic Film (bring to a participating store for recycling)
- ✓ Plastic Wrappers
- ✓ Condiment Packages
- Plastic Wrap
- ✓ Produce Baskets
- Utensils
- ✓ Latex & Plastic Gloves
- ✓ Rubber Bands & Twist Ties
- ✓ Flower Vases
- Drinking Glasses
- ✓ Window / Broken Glass
- ✓ Potato Chip Bags
- ✓ Black Microwavable Plastic Containers
- ✓ Styrofoam
- ✓ Automotive Fluid Bottles
- Prescription Bottles
- ✓ Foil or Pie Plates
- ✓ Scrap Metal (bring to a scrap metal recycling facility)



