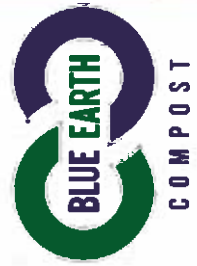


Old Saybrook Food Scrap Recycling Guide



A free food scrap recycling program for residents with a Transfer Station pass



Brought to you by the
Town of Old Saybrook and
Blue Earth Compost

Start Today!



COMPOST



MEAT & BONES



SHELLFISH & FISH PRODUCTS



EGG SHELLS & DAIRY



FRUITS & VEGETABLE SCRAPS



BREADS & CEREALS



COFFEE GROUNDS, FILTERS, & TEA BAGS

OTHER THINGS TO COMPOST:

CONDIMENTS & SPICES | PITS & PEELS
FOOD SOILED PAPER | UNCOATED PAPER PLATES
PAPER TOWELS | PLANTS & HERBS | INCIDENTAL OILS & FATS



DON'T COMPOST



CORKS



PLASTIC



CANDLES



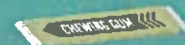
METAL / ALUMINUM FOIL



STYROFOAM



GLASS OF ANY KIND



GUM

OTHER THINGS TO NOT COMPOST:

TWIST TIES | RUBBER BANDS | DISPOSABLE MOPS / CLEANING SHEETS
FIREPLACE OR BARBECUE ASHES | HOT LIQUIDS | PLASTIC GLOVES
ENGLISH MUFFIN CARTONS | WAXY CARDBOARD | MILK CARTONS
CLEAN PIZZA BOXES (RECYCLE) | COFFEE PODS



HAVE QUESTIONS?
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Why is Old Saybrook removing food scraps from municipal waste?

Food scraps make up about 25% of trash. When this brochure was printed, Old Saybrook was paying \$116/ton for municipal waste to be landfilled out-of-state.

Food Scraps are NOT Trash. Food can be converted into compost. Compost improves soil quality for plant growth, reduces the need for chemical fertilizers, helps to retain water in the soil and reduces soil erosion. Putting food scraps into a landfill creates methane, a greenhouse gas which contributes to global warming. The Quantum BioPower anaerobic digester in Southington is able to use the methane to create renewable energy while also making compost.

You can help! The more Old Saybrook residents that participate in this program, the more pounds we will remove from the municipal waste stream. We hope to see this program grow with more and more bins being filled. **Transfer Station stickers are available at the Transfer Station with proof of residency.**

THANK YOU for participating in Old Saybrook's Food Scrap Recycling Program!

PLEASE NO PLASTIC BAGS. ONLY COMPOSTABLE (NOT BIODEGRADABLE) BAGS ARE ALLOWED.

IT'S SO EASY!

- 1. Collect** your food scraps. If you are using the Starter Kit countertop bin, a compostable bag to line it is necessary. When full, close off the bag by tying a knot at the open end. Please don't use twist ties or rubber bands. Then place it in a larger container for storage until you are ready to go to the transfer station.
- 2. Bring** your food scraps to the Transfer Station at 479 Middlesex Turnpike and dump them into the larger bins supplied by Blue Earth Compost. It's important to completely fill one bin before moving on to the next.
- 3. Repeat!** You can go to the Transfer Station at any point during operating hours. They are:
 - Monday, 9AM-1PM
 - Thursday 9AM-6PM
 - Friday 9AM-1PM
 - Saturday 9AM-5PM

All food scraps will be picked up by Blue Earth Compost and composted at an anaerobic digestion facility in Southington, CT. They'll be turned into nutrient rich soil and renewable energy!

Stainless steel countertop containers are available for \$10 at the Transfer Station.