



## Employee Compost Training

Training your staff on proper composting methods will ensure success. Use this information to make training easier and more efficient. If you have any questions or need additional assistance, please check our Website at [www.midwest-fiber.com/compost](http://www.midwest-fiber.com/compost) or call us at (309) 452-0064.

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### *Employee Training Tips*

- Include all staff in training.
- Training sessions should be held where food scraps are generated using actual compostable food waste as well as your composting bin for demonstration purposes.
- Identify someone on each shift who will act as the contact for compost questions and train new employees.

### *Talking Points*

#### **Benefits of Composting:**

- More than 30 percent of landfill space is made up of food scraps.
- Extends the life of landfills
- Benefits local industries
- Supports and beautifies the communities
- Revenue neutral
- It's the right thing to do!

#### **Acceptable compost materials:**

- All food waste, including meats, bones, shellfish, eggs, egg shells, dairy, fruits and nuts, vegetables breads, cooking oil and coffee grounds.
- Leaves, plant, floral trimmings, and grass.

#### **Unacceptable compost materials:**

- Aluminum foil/trays, juice boxes with foil liners, Styrofoam, or plastic-backed paper.
- Plastic bags, wrappers, or film.
- Ceramic materials, pressboard and plywood, painted or stained wood, glass, metal, or plastic.
- Dirt, rocks, stones, flower pots or trays.
- Clothing or linens.
- Medical waste, tissues, animal waste, or kitty litter.
- Paper items, paper towels, or cardboard.

### **Collection**

Call Midwest Fiber Recycling at (309) 452-0064 if you need assistance with your compost collection schedule or time, containers, liners, billing questions, or any other compost related questions.