



IS IT COMPOSTABLE?

Here's how to know which **PRODUCTS** are truly compostable in your curbside bin.

✓ YES, IF IT'S A PAPER PRODUCT *NOT* LINED WITH PLASTIC.

Many foodservice paper products are lined with petroleum-based plastics, which contaminate our soils when composted.



These paper products are free of plastic.



These plastic-coated paper products go in the TRASH.



✓ YES, IF IT'S A *CERTIFIED* COMPOSTABLE "PLASTIC."

If it looks like it contains plastic, it must be a certified "bio-plastic" to be safe for soils.



Products that appear to contain plastic must be certified compostable by BPI.



Trust these compostable product labels:

ASTM D6400 ASTM D6868



must have letters PLA



These labels *DO NOT* mean compostable.

- MADE FROM PLANTS
- MADE FROM PLANT STARCH
- BIODEGRADABLE
- OXO-DEGRADABLE
- BIO
- ECO-FRIENDLY
- EARTH-FRIENDLY
- MADE WITH RECYCLED CONTENT
- GREEN

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When in doubt, give us a shout!

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