

Tahsis Community Composting Program



It's easy to participate!

Tahsis has a Joracan tumbler composter. It is located inside the yellow shipping container beside the free store.

Once registered, residents are free to bring their food waste and add it to the composter anytime Monday to Saturday, from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. Finished compost is available on a first come, first serve basis after speaking with Public Works staff. Compost tea can be taken if it's available.

What is a Joracan Composter?



Joracan 401 is a tumbler composter. It is heavily insulated and heats up even in winter. The heat makes it possible for the Joracan to accept a variety of food waste, including small amounts of meat, dairy and bones. The composting process takes about 6-8 weeks and if properly monitored, should not create odours. To avoid animal interactions, the composter is located inside a secured shipping container.

How to Register to Participate

Contact Public Works to register and to book a walk-through of the shipping container and process.

Email: reception@villageoftahsis.com

Phone: (250) 202-9623

Open Monday to Saturday | 8:00 am to 3:30 pm

What is Compost?

Compost is a mixture of decomposed organic material (food and yard waste) used for fertilizing and conditioning the soil. Heat, moisture and aerobic (air-loving) microorganisms help speed this process.



The Benefits of Composting

- **Compost and compost tea help to add essential nutrients to gardens and lawns**, eliminating the need for synthetic fertilizers and pesticides.
- **Composting reduces garbage** going to the landfill.
- **Composting reduces GHG emissions.** Diverting organic waste from landfills, prevents the anaerobic decomposition that releases potent methane.

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ACCEPTED ORGANIC MATERIAL



Fruit and veggie scraps



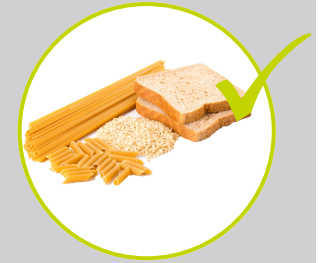
Coffee, tea, filters, napkins and paper towel



Meat, fish, bones and egg shells



Paper compostable bags



Bread, grains and rice

NOT ACCEPTED ORGANIC MATERIAL



- No biodegradable, compostable bags or containers
- No branches or large amounts of yard waste

- No pet waste or kitty litter
- No ashes or cigarettes

Steps to using the Joracan composter

1 Chop up your food scraps and add to your organics bin. No liner is needed, however you can use paper towel, newspaper or a paper bag.

2 Bring your food scraps to the composter during operating hours (Mon-Sat | 8:00 am - 3:30 pm). Add your organics into the active chamber of the Joracan. Leave the other side to compost.

3 Add carbon material at a ratio of 10:1 (such as dried leaves, wood chips or another carbon source located to the right of the composter).

4 Close the lid and spin the composter a few times if possible. When full, leave that side to mature. Staff will remove finished compost.

5 Take some compost tea or finished compost if available. Mix it into your soil or feed directly to plants for extra nutrients.

