# **COMPOSTING IN RESIDENCE**





Your residence includes a green bin for compost/organic waste collection. Please use this bin to collect any compostable waste you produce and then dispose of the bins contents in the garbage room by the elevator/stairwell. Reducing the amount of waste we send to landfill is just one of the many ways we can all make a difference.

# What can go in your green bin?



#### Food waste or scraps

- Baking ingredients, herbs and spices
- Bread, cereals, crackers and grains
- Candy and gum
- Chips, popcorn and nuts
- Coffee grounds and filters
- Cookies, cakes, muffins and pastries
- Dairy products (cheese, sour cream)
- Dough
- Eggs and egg shells
- Fruits and vegetables
- Jams, jellies, marmalades or chutney
- Leftover cooking oils, lard, shortening, fat, butter and margarine
- Meat, fish, shellfish, poultry, bones and scraps
- Nuts and shells
- Pasta, beans, rice and couscous
- Peanut butter
- Pet food
- Salad dressing, mayonnaise, vinegar, sauces, marinades, dips and gravy
- Seeds
- Tea and tea bags

# Other acceptable items

- Butcher's meat wrap
- Cotton balls
- Dryer lint
- Floor sweepings, vacuum bags and vacuum contents
- Food-soiled paper towels, napkins and tissues
- Food-soiled pizza boxes only (clean pizza boxes should go in the black box)
- Household plants, including soil
- Microwave popcorn bags
- Paper coffee cups, plates and muffin wrappers
- Soiled paper, boxboard and cardboard
- Sugar, flour and potato paper bags
- Waxed paper, cardboard and cold drink cups
- Wooden popsicle sticks and toothpicks

# Not allowed in the green bin

- Plastic bags of any kins including compostable varieties
- Sanitary products (as they may contain plastics)

### **Questions or concerns?**

If you have any questions regarding the green bin program in residence then please contact the Housing and Residence Life Services reception desk or email <u>sustainability@carleton.ca</u>

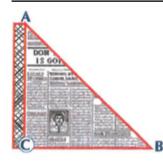
# HOW TO MAKE A COMPOST BIN LINER OUT OF NEWSPAPER

#### STEP 1



Stack 3 to 4 sheets of unfolded newspaper on top of each other.

#### STEP 2



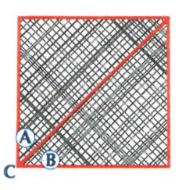
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STEP 6



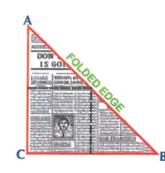
Fold point **B** to the top of the paper to meet point **C**, and make a crease.

# STEP 4



Fold point **A** to the top of the paper to meet point **B** and **C**, and make a crease. This will

#### STEP 5



Unfold the last two creases made so the newspaper forms a triangle again. The previous two creases are your guidelines for the next steps.

Fold one corner

down to make a

triangle. Tear off

excess paper.



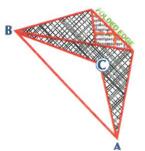
Take point **A** and fold to meet up with the start of the crease on the farthest side of the triangle.

### STEP 7



Take point **B** and fold to meet up with the crease on the other side of the triangle.

#### STEP 8



Divide the layers of the newspaper at point **C** and fold down towards the bottom of the container.



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