

## CITY OF WADSWORTH COMPOSTING GUIDELINES

### General Composting:

To reduce negative effects, composting should be conducted within an enclosed container recommended to be no more than 100 cubic feet and constructed of a durable material such as sturdy woven wire fencing, rot-resistant wood, or a commercially purchased composting unit which will provide for adequate aeration.

### Location on property:

The compost container should be located in the rear yard and no closer than five feet to any property line, nor closer than twenty (20) feet to any habitable building, other than the resident's own home.

### Compost materials:

Only grass clippings, leaves, weeds that have not gone to seed, non-diseased plants, trimmings less than one-fourth inch in diameter, straw, sawdust, wood ashes, fruit or vegetable scraps, coffee grounds, eggshells, and commercially available compost ingredients should be placed in the compost container. Meat, bones, fat oils, grease, dairy products, feces, metals, glass, plastics, synthetic fibers, lumber, logs, or other non-degradable items shall not be placed in the compost container.

### Maintenance:

Compost materials should be layered, aerated, moistened, turned, and managed to promote effective decomposition of the materials in a safe, secure and sanitary manner, and to minimize odor generation.