

Festival Waste Separation Guidelines for Vendors

Food and soiled paper waste from the festival will be composted using the Bokashi method. Bokashi composting handles more types of waste than traditional composting (ie. meat, bones, paper, wood, etc) - however it cannot break down compostable plastics (even if corn or plant based) as there is no heat created during the process.

The compostable waste will be separated into 2 categories – food and soiled paper. You will be supplied with buckets for the food waste and the soiled paper (including cups, bowls, wooden utensils and waxed wrappers) will be collected in large drums at the collection sites. It will later be shredded and mixed back with the food waste for composting.

Here is the list of allowable food service products for the festival:

Item	Allowed	No
Plates, Bowls, To-go Containers, Sauce Containers	Biodegradable Paper (waxed ok)	Plastics of any kind, Plastic lined paper, Styrofoam
Cups (hot or cold)*	Biodegradable Paper (waxed ok)	Plastics of any kind, Plastic lined paper, Styrofoam
Cutlery	Wooden	Plastics of any kind
Lids	Recyclable Plastic Must be black	Plastics that cannot be recycled
Wrappers	Waxed Paper	Foil lined paper
Stir Stix	Popsicle Stick or Dry Pasta	Plastics of any kind
Straws	Plastic- must be striped or a solid colour	Straws are the only allowable waste plastic and must be striped or solid colour

*Cold cups can be made from recyclable plastic

Volunteers will oversee several collection sites around the festival where all waste will be separated – there will be no other garbage cans allowed on site.

Vendors will be supplied with buckets for food waste - which will be collected when full – but they will be responsible for separating any other

waste they intend to leave on site. We suggest using 3 separate cardboard boxes for the soiled paper, returnables and recyclables and a clear bag for your garbage. Unsorted waste will not be accepted and you will be asked to resort any mixed bags of waste.

All waste must be sorted into the 5 following categories:

Food Waste:

- All food waste (including veg, fruit, cooked food, meat, bones, coffee grounds, filters, bread, etc) and used serviettes
- Large pieces must be chopped.
- No liquids (dispose with grey water)
- No bulk oil (take it with you)

Soiled Paper:

- All used paper, waxed and wooden food service items.
- Remove food, liquids, serviettes, and lids first.

Returnables:

- Any beverage container that has a deposit
- Remove liquids and lids first.

Recyclables: Must be cleaned or they are considered garbage

- Cardboard and clean paper
- Recyclable plastic lids
- Plastic packaging numbered 1-7 for recycling
- Tin, glass

Garbage

All other waste including:

- Non recyclable and compostable plastic
- Foil or plastic lined paper
- Snack wrappers
- Wet wipes
- Cigarette butts (fully extinguished)

There will also be buckets at each collection site for liquids and ice.

Please familiarize your staff with these guidelines.