

# FOOD WASTE DROP-OFF AT THE TRANSFER STATION

## *Information for Sherborn's Food Waste Collection*

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Thank you for participating in Sherborn's food waste collection program. In 2016 we diverted 36 tons of food waste from our trash stream. Households that compost generate, on average, 25% less trash each week, resulting in lower costs for hauling trash, in addition to the positive environmental impacts of composting.

We will provide you with a food waste pail to keep near your sink, as well as a 5-gallon bucket with a screw-on lid to collect several pails' worth of food waste. (The 5-gallon bucket with the screw-on lid is critter-proof and many residents store this bucket safely in their garages.) Some people like to store their food waste in biodegradable bags in the freezer until they are ready to take them to the transfer station! When the 5-gallon bucket is full, bring it or the biodegradable bags to the Sherborn transfer station and empty the food waste into the large, wheeled, green food waste bins across from the paper and commingled recyclables containers.



### Yes! Acceptable Items

- Fruit and vegetable scraps
- Eggs and eggshells
- Nuts and shells
- Plate scraps
- Meat, poultry, fish, and bones
- Rice, beans, and pasta
- Dairy products and cheese
- Grains
- Baked goods
- Dough
- Coffee grounds, filters, and tea bags
- Biodegradable bags (e.g., BioBags and the food waste bags available at the transfer station)
- Paper napkins, towels, or tissues



### No! Do NOT include

- Paper plates or cups
- Butcher paper, waxed paper, or parchment paper
- Cardboard
- Liquids, including soup
- Grease or cooking oil
- Glass, plastic, or metal
- Plastic utensils
- Food wrappers
- Styrofoam
- Plastic coated containers

