

Testing and Storage Limit Requirements for the Compostable Materials (CM) Regulations

This chart describes the material storage limitations and material testing requirements for each compostable material handling activity.

Operation/Facility Type	Not Subject to Chapter 3.1	Excluded	EA Notification (TPD)	Registration (TPD)	CM Full SWFP (TPD)	Storage Limits:		Must Meet Test/Requirements:
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Green Material Chipping and Grinding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small 			X <200 TPD, section 17862.1(a)				Within 48 hours of receipt or up to 7 days by EA determination section 17852(a)(10)(A)(2)	Must meet Part Test 1 section 17852(a)(21); ≤1% Physical Contaminants section 17852(a)(21)
Green Material Chipping and Grinding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium 				X 200 TPD to <500 TPD section 17862.1(b)			Within 48 hours of receipt or up to 7 days by EA determination section 17852(a)(10)(A)(2)	Must meet Part Test 1 section 17852(u) & ≤1% Physical Contaminants section 17852(a)(21)
Green Material Chipping and Grinding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large 					X >500 TPD section 17862.1(c)		Within 48 hours of receipt or up to 7 days by EA determination section 17852(a)(10)(A)(2)	Must meet Part Test 1 section 17852(a)(21) & ≤1% Physical Contaminants section 17852(a)(21)
Agricultural Material Composting Operation			X section 17856					Must meet definition section 17852(a)(6)
Vegetative Food Material Composting Facilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small 				X ≤ 12,500 CY section 17857.2(a)			None	Must meet section 17852(a)(20)(A) & ≤ 1% Physical Contamination section 17852(a)(21)
Vegetative Food Material Composting Facilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large 					X > 12,500 CY section 17857.2(b)		None	Must meet section 17852(a)(20)(A) & ≤ 1% Physical Contamination section 17852(a)(21)
Green Material Composting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operation 			X <12,500 CY Feedstock section 17857.1(a)				Stabilized compost may be temporarily excluded from the 12,500 CY limit for a term not to exceed the land use entitlement or 30 days, whichever is less. The 30 day limit may be extended by one or more additional 30-day periods not exceeding the time specified in the land use entitlement or 90 days, whichever is less.	Must meet Part Test 1 section 17852(a)(21)
Green Material Composting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facility 					X >12,500 CY Feedstock section 17857.1(c)		None	Must meet Part Test 1 section 17852(a)(21)
Biosolids Composting at POTW			X section 17859.1(a)				None	Must meet Biosolids definition section 17852 (a)(9)
Biosolids Composting not located at POTW					X section 17854		None	Must meet Biosolids definition section 17852 (a)(9)

Research Composting Operations			X Section 17862(a)			None	Must meet definition section 17852(a)(34)
Ag Site Handling <1000 CY of Compost Product Dispersed Annually		X Section 17855(a)(1)				None	
Vermicomposting		X Section 17855(a)(2)				None	
Mushroom Farming		X Section 17855(a)(3)				None	
Compostable Material Handling Facilities					X Section 17854	None	

Ag = agricultural

CY = cubic yards

CM = compostable materials

Part Test #1 is source separated and separated for reuse material

TPD = tons per day

POTW = publicly owned treatment works

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The Handling of Compostable Materials If: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 CY and 750 square feet of CM on-site at any one time • Located at a Permitted Facility • Temporary Biosolids Sludge Storage at a POTW • Located at a Biomass Conversion Site • Part of a Silvicultural Operation or Wood Manufacturing • Part of Ag Operation and used to Temp Store or Process Ag Material not Used in Production of Compost or Mulch • Part of an Operation Used to Chip and Grind by Land Owners • Part of an Ag Operation Used to Chip and Grind Ag by Land Owners • Part of an Animal Food Manufacturing or Rendering Opr • Storage of Yard Trimmings at Publicly Desig Site 		X section 17855(a)(4) X section 17855(a)(5)(A) X section 17855(a)(5)(B) X section 17855(a)(5)(C) X section 17855(a)(5)(D) X section 17855(a)(5)(E) X section 17855(a)(5)(F) X section 17855(a)(5)(G) X section 17855(a)(5)(H) X section 17855(a)(5)(I) X				None

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Materials Handled to Preclude Composting• Storage of Bagged Products < 5 CY from CM		section 17855(a)(5)(J) X section 17855(a)(6)				
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