

Sustainability Program

Ingersoll LIVE strives to keep our area clean and green with a high standard in sustainability initiatives by taking proactive steps to encourage recycling and other environment-friendly practices. Our goal is to become a zero-waste event and to help conserve natural resources and protect the environment. To accomplish this we require your participation in our waste reduction, recycling, and composting program.

ALL Vendors will be REQUIRED to participate with the following Sustainability policies:

- All food and beverage items must be served on/in compostable products. This includes plates, bowls, cups, eating utensils, and napkins. If you offer special refill cups, these cups must also comply. Exact product specifications and links to suppliers will be included as part of the acceptance package.
- Reduce packaging and dispose of excess packaging properly. Ex. Single use condiment packets, chip bags, etc are unacceptable. Unwanted cardboard, paper and approved recyclable plastics should be placed in the Festivals recycling centers on site.

Recycling Guidelines:

- Aluminum – Pop cans
- Cardboard – All boxes should be broken down
- Glass – Food and drink containers only
- Paper – Newspapers, plain paper, glossy paper (magazines, ticket stubs, flyers), paper cartons (milk cartons, juice cartons, broth cartons, soy milk cartons)
- Plastics – twist off bottles (water bottles, pop bottles), yogurt tubs, butter tubs
- Specific questions can go to RecycleMe Iowa or Metro Waste Authority

Compost Guidelines:

- Food should be served on/in certified compostable products. Look for the symbol below when purchasing products:



- Compostable food ware products (plates, bowls, utensils, cups, etc.)
- Paper napkins, tissues, toilet paper
- All food waste, pizza boxes, coffee grounds, tea bags, wooden sticks (skewers, toothpicks)
- Waxed paper, receipt paper, waxed/wet/soiled cardboard
- Paper plates, paper cups
- Online list for compostable items:

http://greenru.org/uploads/7/5/5/2/75528089/what_can_be_composted.pdf

Links to purchase items:

<http://www.iowadesmoinessupply.com/index.html> (only certified compostable products are acceptable)

<http://www.ecoproducts.com/>

<http://www.sysco.com/> (only certified compostable products are acceptable)

<http://www.ecopromotionsonline.com/contact.cfm> (only certified compostable products are acceptable)

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LIST OF COMPOSTABLE MATERIALS

The following is a comprehensive list of materials that can be included in an industrial composting program.

Please note: All items must be removed from their packaging (except cardboard packaging) before composting.

PRODUCE

Spoiled produce
Vegetable/fruit peelings
Produce trimmings
Fruit/vegetable pits
Fruit/vegetable rinds
Corn husks
Corncobs
Fruit juices
Fruit/vegetable crates
Waxed cardboard

DELI/CAFETERIA

Plate scrapings
Paper dinnerware
Paper napkins
Paper towels
Paper plates
Paper cups
Compostable dinnerware
Pizza boxes
Food boxes
Coffee grounds & filters
Tea bags
Wooden stir sticks
Wooden toothpicks
Waxed paper
Bamboo skewers
Grill ashes
Crumbs
Vegetable/fruit peels
Fruit pits
Corncobs
Spoiled/outdated foods
Spoiled deli meats
Spoiled deli cheese

BAKERY

Stale bread
Stale/outdated pastries
Grains
Flour
Rice
Cornmeal
Oatmeal
Nut shells/husks
Egg shells
Dough
Cardboard packages
Paper muffin cups

MEAT COUNTER

Ground bones
Animal/fish bones
Meat scraps
Spoiled meat
Fat trimmings

SEAFOOD COUNTER

Fish scraps
Seashells (crushed)
Raw fish
Sushi
Crustaceans
Crustacean shells
Fish bones

DAIRY

Eggs
Egg shells
Milk & milk products
Cheese
Yogurt
Ice Cream
Cardboard containers
Cardboard egg cartons

FROZEN FOODS

Ice cream
Ice cream cartons
Pizza
Pizza boxes
Frozen vegetables
Frozen meals
Frozen meat
Frozen fish
Frozen juice

CANNED GOODS

Pickles
Canned fruits
Canned vegetables
Canned milk products
Canned meats
Canned soups
Liquid from canned products
Jelly, jam, & preserves

DRY GOODS

Flour
Rice
Grains
Pasta
Oatmeal
Powdered Milk
Stale cereal
Cornmeal
Tobacco products
Cardboard packages
Cereal boxes
Nut shells/husks
Popcorn
Spices
Jell-O
Stale Potato chips
Crackers / snack foods
Candy
Chocolate

ALCOHOL PRODUCTS

Wine
Beer
Hops
Wine waste
Wine corks (not synthetic)
Grape/winery wastes
Brewery wastes

PETS/PET PRODUCTS

Animal bedding
Kitty litter
Animal/bird droppings
Feathers
Fish food flakes
Pet food (wet or dry)
Animal feed pellets
Pet fur
Pet nail clippings
Alfalfa hay or pellets
Rawhide dog chews
Aquarium plants

FLORAL DEPT

Flower petals & stems
Flower arrangements
Dead plants
Potting soil
Leaves
Natural potpourri
Natural wreaths
Evergreen garlands

GARDEN DEPT

Grass clippings
Leaves
Weeds
Dead plants
Flower petals & stems
Tree bark
Branches
Wood chips & shavings
Old seed packets
Crop waste
Dirt & potting soil
Manure
Straw & hay
Pine needles
Sawdust (untreated)
Shredded hardwood
Peat moss
Hay bales
Wooden pallets
Christmas Trees
Dead insects

OFFICE

Coffee grounds & filters
Tea bags
Wooden stir sticks
Wooden toothpicks
Paper
Newsprint
Soiled cardboard
Facial tissues
Paper towels
Paper dinnerware
Compostable dinnerware
Old paperback books
Phone books
Elmer's glue
Shredded documents
Pencil shavings
Paper bags
Receipt paper

CUSTODIAL

Vacuum bag wastes
Dust/lint
Paper towels
Paper towel rolls
Tobacco wastes
Dryer lint
Crumbs

RESTROOM

Facial tissues
Paper towels
Toilet paper rolls
Paper towel rolls
Hair
Cotton balls

PARTY SUPPLIES

Paper table cloths
Crepe paper streamers
Latex balloons
Jack-O-Lanterns
Natural wreaths

INDUSTRIAL

Cotton products
Linen products
Wool products
Leather products
Burlap
Granite Dust
Greensand
Sawdust
Trees
Tobacco wastes
Hoof and horn meal
Blood meal
Fish meal
Limestone
Dolomite lime
Bagasse (sugar cane residue)
Molasses residue
Wet cardboard
Waxed cardboard
Wooden pallets