



THE BUREAU OF
**PLANNING &
SUSTAINABILITY**

Official Notice: Business Food Scraps Requirement

Your business is required to compost food scraps by September 30, 2024.

The City of Portland is requiring food-generating businesses to collect food scraps separately from garbage. This is part of a region-wide policy to keep food out of the landfill and turn it into renewable energy and nutrient-rich fertilizer for farms.

What's required

1. Set up **compost service** with a garbage company (or through your property manager).
2. Set up **internal containers with labels** showing what goes in compost (food only).
3. **Put all food scraps* in compost** instead of garbage.

**This requirement only applies to food scraps handled by employees.*



Assistance is available

Find out how to set up compost service, where to get free containers and labels, and how to train staff at www.portland.gov/compost-guide.

If you lease your space, property managers must allow you to set up compost service. If your property manager provides garbage service, they must also provide compost service if asked. If you run into problems setting up compost service through your property manager, contact us.

Our staff are here to help. Contact us at 503-823-7202 or wasteinfo@portlandoregon.gov.

Questions?

Find more information at www.portland.gov/compost-requirement.

Or contact 503-823-7202 or wasteinfo@portlandoregon.gov.

More information

Fines are \$200 to \$600 for every month your business does not compost, starting September 2024.

Not a food business? If your business does not sell, serve, cook, assemble, or process food, contact us to find out if this requirement applies to you.

If your business already composts food scraps, then you meet the requirement.

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A partir del 30 de septiembre de 2024, se requerirá que su negocioa destine los desechos alimenticios al compostaje.

从 2024 年 9 月 30 日起，您的企业必须用食物残渣堆肥。

Bắt đầu từ ngày 30 Tháng Chín năm 2024, cơ sở kinh doanh của quý vị sẽ được yêu cầu ủ phân hữu cơ từ chất thải thực phẩm.

2024 년 9 월 30 일부터, 귀하의 사업체는 음식 찌꺼기를 퇴비로 배출해야 합니다.

Начиная с 30 сентября 2024 г. ваше предприятие обязано компостировать пищевые остатки.

www.portland.gov/compost-requirement

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