

# Town of Mayerthorpe

**Policy Manual**  
**Section: Public Works**  
**Policy: V-014**

**TITLE:** Compost  
**POLICY NO.:** V-014  
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**SUPERSEDES POLICY NO.:**

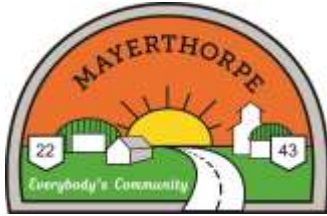
**POLICY STATEMENT:** To establish a level of service for residential compost services within the Town.

**PURPOSE:** To establish guidelines for operation of the Compost facility at the Sewer Lift Station.

**PRINCIPLES:**

COMPOST:

1. The Compost Facility shall be open commencing May 1 and ending October 31, Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., subject to adverse weather conditions. In the event the opening or closing dates change, the change will be advertised in the local paper.
2. The Compost Facility shall be open one day in early November to accommodate Halloween pumpkins, etc. This date shall be advertised two consecutive weeks prior to the date.
3. The Compost Facility shall be open one day in the second week of January accommodate the disposal of Christmas trees. This date shall be advertised two consecutive weeks prior to the date.
4. The Compost Facility and the bins within the facility shall be restricted to use by Town residents only, business use shall not be permitted. Businesses located in the corporate limits of the Town providing compost service to residents shall provide the Compost Operator with a listing outlining: 1) Business License Number; 2) Landowner's Name; 3) Civic Address; 4) Amount/Volume 5) Signature of



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Landowner.

5. The following items will not be accepted as compost:

Pet Wastes  
Human Wastes  
Meat Products, Bones, Fatty Wastes  
Treated and Painted Lumber  
Pine or Spruce Branches  
Renovation Material

Pernicious Weeds:

Morning Glory, Bindwee, ivy, Crab Grass (These may be accepted if left to dry for two weeks to make sure they are dead (completely brown), as they sprout from the roots.

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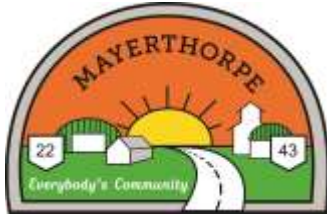
Grass/Lawn Clippings  
Hay  
Leaves  
Straw  
Weeds and Garden Waste if dead (completely brown)  
Wood Chips and Saw Dust  
Rhubarb  
Kitchen Waste: Fruit, vegetables, peels, tea bags, coffee grounds, egg shells and similar material as mentioned.

7. Trees, shrubs, are limited to tree trunks no larger than 4". These items shall be chipped and not burnt.

## ROLL OFF BINS:

8. A roll off bin is available for white metals and will be accepted at the Compost facility, the name and address of the individual must be taken, information provided to the Town office, and an invoice will be issued based on rates established by Bylaw.

9. A roll off bin is available for wood and the following will be accepted: Pine trees, spruce trees, scrap wood, painted and treated wood, and plywood; the wood must be cut into manageable lengths so as to fit within the bin.



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10. A roll off bin is available for scrap metal; the metal must be cut into manageable lengths so as to fit within the bin.

ACCESS:

11. Individuals specifically authorized by the Town, may acquire a key to the compost for the purpose of disposing of compost material. The Town reserves the right to revoke this privilege upon evidence of abuse.
12. Non-compliance with this policy shall result in an invoice being sent to the resident for cost(s) associated with removal of the item(s).

End of Policy.