

# For better digestion, brown bag it



**Starting in March 2001, only kraft paper bags and rigid open-top containers will be acceptable for use in Toronto's leaf and yard waste collection program.**

Clear plastic bags will no longer be accepted (you can still use clear plastic bags this fall).

Plastic bags don't compost, they contaminate the finished compost and require us to open, empty and dispose of each bag. Talk about waste!

We encourage you to try the kraft paper bags designed for leaf and yard waste this fall. You'll find them at hardware and grocery stores.

These bags compost right along with the leaves and yard waste. A better choice:

Reusable rigid open-top containers such as bushel baskets. Cost: nil.

(once you already have them, you can reuse for free)



**Cost: one-time \$15, and free compost forever.**

## **An even better choice:**

Call the Composter Order Line at 392-9573 and start composting at home. Cost: one-time \$15, but free compost forever. Please don't rake your leaves onto the street! Check your local collection calendar for more details on collection days and set-out instructions. Weekly collection of leaf and yard waste continues in all communities until the end of November.



East York: 396-2800 . Etobicoke: 394-8350 . North York: 395-6205 .  
Scarborough: 396-7372 . Toronto: 392-7742 . York: 394-2600 .  
Composting Help Line 392-4689 . Composter Order Line 392-9573 .

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