



Region of Waterloo

Green bin setup

Lining your organics containers

Lining your green bin protects collection staff, helps the material empty out on collection day, and keeps your bin cleaner. Close all liner bags when you set your green bin to the curb for collection.

You have many lining options, from do-it-yourself solutions using paper you may have around your home, (instructions are available on our website, or call us and we will send you a copy), to buying acceptable types of liner bags from local grocery and hardware stores.

Kitchen container liner options



The choice is yours!

Kitchen container options

Use what works best for you! Reuse a container from something else you've purchased with a tight fitting lid, or you may want to use something more decorative. Here are some common examples:



Green bin liner options

Newspaper

Other paper bags

Paper liner bag

Certified compostable kitchen container bags

Certified compostable liner bag



Certified Compostable bags

If you choose to use certified compostable liner bags, here's what you need to know. Packages of certified compostable liner bags have one of these logos:



Buyers of certified compostable bags beware! If the package does not have the Canadian or US compostable logo, they are not acceptable. Generally, if the packaging refers to degradable or oxo-degradable, don't buy them. These types of bags do not meet our composting standards.

Green bins containing unacceptable plastic will not be collected. Unacceptable plastic includes: plastic shopping bags, garbage bags, oxo-degradable bags, biodegradable bags, and plastic green or blue recycling bags.



How to use certified compostable liner bags



OR



1. Line your green bin or your kitchen container.

2. Securely close all liner bags. Roll down the top of paper bags, and tie shut certified compostable liner bags.



3. Place bags in the green bin with the logo facing up.



For a complete list of items accepted in the green bin, download the free **Waste Whiz app** to your mobile device.



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