

Home Composting Bins Available – Number Limited

The Town of Sheffield is now offering 15 compost bins at a subsidized price of \$10* to assist any Sheffield household in composting food scraps, garden cuttings, lawn clippings, leaves etc. One per household, please. First come, first served, until they are gone. The Town will run this program again in FY21.



The compost bin being offered is a 216 gallon, expandable compost bin by Geobin. It is easy to assemble and has the following features:

- Large capacity—expandable to 4 feet (216 gallon)
- Easy to assemble with closure keys. Easy to move. Easy to reassemble
- Made from 50% recycled plastic content.
- Excellent ventilation
- Rated 4.4 out of 5 from 868 rating on Amazon

To apply for a bin, email townhall@sheffieldma.gov, Geobin Compost Bin in the subject line. Include your name, physical address and cell or phone number. We will use the time stamp on emails if there is more demand than availability.

You will be contacted when the compost bin arrives or if you will need to apply for the FY21 compost bin program; delivery is expected by mid-June.

This program was originally scheduled for Earth Day but delayed due to COVID-19. A MassDEP Municipal Recycling Grant is supporting this program.

Home Composting Education

All listed information is from Google searches. For more information, Google: Home composting videos or home compost bin construction. Also consider visiting Bushnell-Sage Library for printed materials on composting.

Basic home composting information:

<https://www.centerforecototechnology.org/green-for-homes/recycling-composting/#Composting>
CET

<https://video.nationalgeographic.com/video/green-guide-howdini/00000144-0a2d-d3cb-a96c-7b2d91870000> National Geographic

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IKG8xRTFktg> Montgomery County

<https://www.bhg.com/gardening/yard/compost/how-to-compost/> video and text

<http://pubs.cahnrs.wsu.edu/publications/wpcontent/uploads/sites/2/publications/eb1784e.pdf>
WSU Extension

<http://ccetompkins.org/resources/compost-quick-start-guide-to-compost> Cornell Cooperative
Extension

How to build your own compost bin:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Fia-EySv9A> from wood and wire

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qZDCUhtq7cg> from wood pallets

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tj_goluMKO8 from hardware cloth

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O-qkgfNWdes&feature=youtu.be> from coated wire