



Town of Ipswich Curbside Composting Signup and Renewal

Thanks for your interest in Ipswich's composting program! We are pleased to be working with Black Earth Compost. The total cost for the year is \$108; the DPW, through a grant, pays \$13, so the **cost to sign up is \$95**.

Here is what you need to know to get started composting with Black Earth Compost.

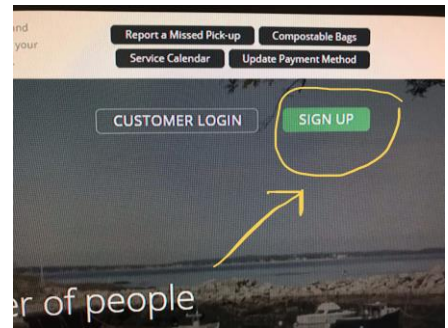
- Your first service day will be determined by the day you sign up online.
- New participants receive a free curbside compost cart from the Ipswich DPW, and carts can be picked up at town hall on the second floor.
- Pickup day is WEDNESDAY.
- Finished compost (50 gallons – once in spring and once in fall) is available at the transfer station.
- Place your cart curbside where it is visible from the street by 7 AM. *Please note that the pickup time may change. Leave your cart out until after 5 PM to ensure you don't miss a pickup.*

What's compostable – Please see the Compost Guide on the other side.

How to Sign Up or Renew

All communication about the program will go through your own account on Black Earth's website – missed pickups, problems, etc. – and Black Earth will send an email notice each year about future renewals.

1. GO TO: <http://bit.ly/2IY3zTJ>
2. Click on the green **SIGN UP** button on the right side of the page.
3. Set up your account and pay (we are a **residential** program and the annual fee for Ipswich residents is **\$95**).
4. You will receive immediate confirmation of your payment (while on the website) and also receive a welcome email to the address you provided.
5. That's it! You are done! **Remember to write your password down so you don't forget it!**



Lining Your Cart

Black Earth Compost recommends lining your bin with a paper grocery bag or compostable bag liner (must say BPI-certified compostable). The liner helps keep your cart clean and ensures the organic material is emptied and does not stick to your cart. Black Earth sells countertop 3-gallon and curbside compostable bag liners that fit perfectly in the cart. You can order them directly from Black Earth and they will be dropped off during your next pickup.

Missed Pickup

- **Report a missed pickup to Black Earth before the end of the day** through the website or by calling 978-290-4610.
- Black Earth will notify you via email of any delays, pickup changes, etc.

Holiday Pickup Schedule

Black Earth picks up on all holidays except Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.

Questions? Email IpswichComposts@gmail.com or call the DPW at 978-356-6612.