

NOTICE OF INTENT and CERTIFICATION

**DEQ Form YW-4
Exempt Yard Waste & Herbivorous Manures Compost Facility**

Facilities eligible for exemptions from Virginia Solid Waste Management Regulations (VSWMRs) included in 9VAC20-81-95.D.6 and 9VAC20-81-397.B.2 are required to submit a certification (Form YW-4) to the Dept. of Environmental Quality stating that the facility meets the regulatory standards necessary to operate an exempt composting facility. Submit completed form to the DEQ Regional Office prior to receipt of any offsite waste. Contacts and addresses are provided on the DEQ website at <http://www.deq.virginia.gov/regions/homepage>.

Name of Owner <input type="checkbox"/> or Operator <input type="checkbox"/>	
Mailing Address	
City, State, Zip Code	
Contact phone number and email address	
Physical address of composting activities	
City, State, Zip Code	
Describe location of the composting activity within the physical location/parcel above	
Amount of land available for receipt of yard waste	

Check YES or NO for each of the following.

Owner or operator agrees:

- To receive no solid waste other than yard waste and manures from herbivorous animals.
- That no open dump, hazard, or public nuisance will be created, and that the composting activity complies with all local ordinances.
- All off-site manures are from herbivorous animals, will be incorporated into the compost within 24 hours of delivery, and limited to quantities needed to achieve a C:N ratio of 25:1 to 40:1.
- That no material will remain on-site, in any combination of processing time and storage time, for more than 18 months.
- If the total amount of waste received exceeds 6,000 cubic yards in any 12-month period, the owner or operator will submit an annual report to DEQ on Form YW-2 per 9VAC20-81-397.B.2.d.

YES	NO

Owner or operator affirms that the yard waste composting facility:

- Is not within an area designated as a flood plain.
- Is located no less than 300 ft from a property boundary of a parcel owned or controlled by another person, and is located no less than 1,000 ft from any occupied dwelling not located on the same parcel.
- Has at least one acre of ground suitable to receive yard waste for each 150 cubic yards of finished compost.

YES	NO

I understand that checking "No" to any of the above indicates that the facility does not meet the criteria of the Solid Waste Management Regulations (9VAC20-81-397.B.2) and cannot operate as an exempt facility.

I certify that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted on this form and all attached documents, and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

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