

Compost Uses and Instructions

Follow these tips to help your plants survive this summer!

Top Dress Lawns:

- Spread an thin layer (top dress) with 1/4 inch (6.4mm) to 1/8 inch (3.2mm) of compost;
- Don't forget to water after top dressing to ensure proper nutrient dispersion.



Side Dress:

- Spread a thin layer around the base of the plant you want to side dress;
- Trees and shrubs with 1/4 inch (6.4mm) to 1/2 inch (12.7mm) of compost;
- Plants and flowers with 1/8 (3.2mm) to 1.4 inch of compost.



Replenish Nutrients:

- In potted plants (indoor and outdoor);
- Add 1/8 inch (3.2mm) to 1/4 inch (6.4mm) of compost around the base of potted plants;
- Be sure to water after, as this will help existing soil mix with compost.



Brew Compost Tea:

- Create compost tea by soaking any leftover or extra compost in water for at least 24 hours;
- Once tea is ready, use as a nutrient spray or liquid fertilizer for outdoor and indoor plants, trees, and shrubs within 2 days after brewing.



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District of Summerland's Compost

Benefits of Using Compost

- Prevents erosion and stabilizes soil.
- Lowers irrigation and watering needs.
- Provides necessary nutrients for plant growth.
- Diverts waste from landfills.
- Increases water retention.
- Helps plants withstand pests and disease.
- Reduces weeds.
- Lowers winter damage and nutrient loss.
- Increases soil infiltration.
- Adds beneficial microbes to soil.
- Reduces thatch build-up.
- Saves money by reducing the number of garden products and watering needs.



Compost Composition

District of Summerland's compost is high quality, sustainable, and safe Class A biosolid compost. The Class A government designation means that the product can be sold with no restrictions. It can be safely applied to lawns, flowers, shrubs and gardens.

Compost Pricing

Head up to the Summerland Landfill with your containers/bags and shovel, and pay 2 cents per kilogram (minimum charge \$2.00) for premium District of Summerland Compost! If needed, we can load your truck, approximately \$22.00 per load. Trucks can be loaded Monday through Friday 9:00am-2:45pm, except between 12:00-12:30 for lunch.



Summerland Landfill Address:

17202 Bathville Road

Regular Hours:

8:30 am to 4:15 pm—Monday to Saturday