

Waste-No-More

Are you interested in a **local, sustainable soil amendment** for your yard or garden? The Borough of Mechanicsburg's Waste-No-More may be just the product for you. Waste-No-More is a finished compost product primarily comprised of organic matter and water, and it has a rich, earthy aroma.

Waste-No-More is produced in a process called aerated static pile composting. Local yard waste and biosolids from the Mechanicsburg Wastewater Treatment Plant are mixed together in a very specific ratio to promote the proliferation of microorganisms that breakdown and stabilize the material. This process occurs over several weeks, during which time the process is continuously monitored to generate a very stable, high quality compost. There are no restrictions on the use of Waste-No-More—it may be sold and used the same as any other fertilizer or compost product on the market.

Waste-No-More as a soil amendment is an excellent source of organic matter that will enhance the soil's structure and improve the soil's ability to retain water, nutrients, and air. Waste-No-More also has the added benefits of being **produced locally** with **recycled materials** that may otherwise be landfilled, making this product an **economically** and **environmentally friendly** source of plant nutrients and organic materials that **support soil health**. It can be incorporated into topsoil for establishing turfgrass, planting beds, or vegetable gardens, or to create a potting soil blend for potted plants. It can also be surface applied as landscape mulch around trees, shrubs, or flowers.

Check out Frequently Asked Questions for more information about how you can purchase Waste-No-More for a minimal fee to use for projects in your garden!

Frequently Asked Questions

Where can I purchase Waste-No-More?

Pay for your compost at the Borough Office (36 W. Allen Street), then call the Wastewater Treatment Plant at 691-3320, extension 2 to arrange a time to pick it up. Compost is available for pick up between 8 am and 3 pm at the Mechanicsburg Wastewater Treatment Plant (842 West Church Road, Mechanicsburg).

How much Waste-No-More do I need for my project?

For turf establishment, planting bed establishment, and vegetable gardens, it is recommended to apply a 1" to 2" layer (~3-6 cubic yards/1,000 ft²) and incorporate the compost into the top 3 inches of soil. If used as landscape mulch, it is recommended to surface apply a 1 to 3" layer (~3-9 cubic yards/1,000 ft²) for best results. If mixing with other materials to create a blended topsoil, the U.S. Composting Council recommends creating a final product comprised of 10-50% compost. For potted plant blends, Waste-No-More should comprise 20-33% of the final volume.

I only need a small volume - where can I pick up a few buckets of it?

Sorry, but it can only be purchased by the cubic yard at this time.

If I purchase a truckload, will Mechanicsburg load it for me?

Yes; during designated pick up times only, Mechanicsburg personnel will load compost by the cubic yard into your truck bed or trailer.

I need a large volume of compost but don't have a truck. Will Mechanicsburg deliver?

Sorry, but we are not able to provide that service.

How much does it cost?

\$10 per cubic yard.

I live outside of the Borough; can I purchase your compost?

Yes