



BECOME A CERTIFIED

Backyard Composter,

Vermi-Composter

or **Master Composter**

Free



Sponsor: Mat-Su Borough's Solid Waste Division

When: Continual Trainings, starting August, 2016

Where: Mat-Su Borough's Central Landfill

Mat-Su Borough's new program to keep organic matter out of our landfill!

Certified Backyard Composter

--2 Hour Training

You'll learn how to:

Successfully compost manures, yard wastes, & food wastes

Remedy a pile that's too hot, too slow, or too stinky

Produce a matured, high-quality, horticultural product



Certified Vermi-Composter

--2 Hour Training

You'll learn how to:

Successfully start & manage a worm bin

Avoid flies & stench

Utilize finished vermi-compost



Certified Master Composter

--2 Day Training

--Pledge Service Hours to Train Others &/or
Start Neighborhood Composting

You'll learn all the Backyard Composter info, plus how to:

Blend a wider variety of feedstocks for proper C:N ratios

Trouble-shoot piles for moisture, temperature, aeration, & odor



Manage worm bins (vermi-composting)

Process larger volumes of compost with static & thermal pile methods

Test for maturation...Is it done yet?

Goals:



Train & empower compost experts throughout the MSB to educate residents, businesses, schools, dog mushers, farms, stables, & organizations to compost organic wastes.

Provide expertise to entrepreneurs wanting to start innovative composting & organic waste reduction businesses.

Provide Certified Composters with a Compost Hotline.

Trainings & Dates:

These same courses are repeated at several different times. Choose one.

Master Composter	Backyard Composter	Vermi-Composter (Worm Bin Management)
B: Saturday, April 1 - 10am-4:30pm & Saturday, April 8-11am-4:15pm	E: Saturday, May 13-2:30-4:15pm	D: Tuesday, April 11—noon-2pm
C: Friday, Aug 25- 10am-4:15pm Saturday, Aug6-11am-4:15pm	F: Tuesday May 16-- 10am-Noon	E: Saturday, May 6—10am-noon
	G: Friday, July 28-- 2pm-4pm	F: Saturday, Sept 9—11am-1pm
	H: Friday, Sept 1—10am-Noon	G: Saturday, Oct 21—1pm-3pm

To Register:

Call 861-7605

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