

# TURF GOLD PREMIUM COMPOST

The following local businesses sell Turf Gold Premium Compost and help local residents recycle and reuse their yard and garden waste.

Bags	Bulk	Haul	Company	Phone	City
			TNT Landscaping & Nursery www.tntlandscaping.com	515-965-1206	Ankeny
			Dennis Lind Landscaping	515-681-9303	Colfax
			Ted Lare Design Build	515-981-1073	Cumming
			Allen Lawn & Landscaping	515-266-5349	Des Moines
			DMF Gardens	515-266-2488	Des Moines
			Hallett Materials	515-266-9928	Des Moines
			Soil-Tek   www.soil-tek.com	515-208-5171	Grimes
			Green Acres Garden Center	515-961-5889	Indianola
			City Gardens	515-480-2379	Indianola
			Advanced Landscape Solutions advancedlandscapesolutionsinc.com	515-249-0459	Johnston
			Dutch Meadows	641-628-4450	Pella
			Bill Burress	515-975-7171	Pleasantville
			Golden Valley Hardscapes	515-328-3003	Story City
			Iowa Outdoor Products	515-277-6242	Urbandale
			Mulch Mart	515-978-6852	Waukee
			Lounsbury Sand & Gravel	515-225-7100	West Des Moines
			Wright Outdoor Solutions www.wrightoutdoorsolutions.com	515-987-0800	West Des Moines



**Metro Waste Authority**

www. **WhereItShouldGo**.com

**515.244.0021**



# Turf Gold Premium Compost

Central Iowans help create this unique product by recycling their yard and garden waste. Metro Waste Authority's Compost It!® program takes yard and garden waste, banned from Iowa landfills, and produces a finished compost screened to a ½-inch particle size.

More than 32,000 tons of yard and garden waste is **RECYCLED** to produce Turf Gold Premium Compost.

## What is Compost?

Compost is a soil conditioner made up of highly organic matter and is used as mulch or to improve soil – not replace it. **Compost is NOT dirt, potting soil, fertilizer or peat.**

### WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

High quality soils create successful turf and landscape developments. Adding compost to your soil generally makes almost all plants healthier. Using compost, allows you to:

- » improve the soil's texture
- » prevent plant damage (do not place against plant stem or trunks)
- » control weeds
- » improve drainage and reduce erosion
- » retain moisture in soil
- » break up clay in soil
- » hold nutrients in root zone

### HOW MUCH YOU NEED

Measure and multiply the length and width in feet and depth in inches, then divide by 324.

$$\frac{\text{Length} \times \text{Width} \times \text{Depth}}{324}$$

= Cubic Yards to Purchase

## Applications

**Vegetable & Flower Gardens** – Incorporate 1-2 inches of compost in the top 3-5 inches of soil a few weeks prior to planting. Condition soil this way every two years.

**Turf Establishment** – Incorporate 1-2 inches of compost with 3-5 inches of soil one week prior to planting or combine seed and compost and apply 1/2-inch mixture to surface of area being seeded.

**Turf Maintenance** – Aerate lawn thoroughly in spring and/or fall. Top dress with 1/4-inch of compost.

**Weed Control** – Spread a 1-2 inch layer along garden paths and around vegetables for weed control and moisture retention.

**Mulch** – Spread a 1-2 inch layer on perennial beds in the spring to add organic material and micronutrients.

**With Potting Soil** – Blend one part compost with one part sand and one part garden soil.

**Around Trees & Shrubs** – Dig a hole 2/3 the depth of the root ball and at least twice as wide. Mix one part compost with two parts soil from the planting hole. Place the tree or shrub in the planting soil and apply amended soil around the root ball.