

## COMPOSTING TIPS

- \* Chop your materials into small pieces, which will break down faster
- \* Always cover your layer of green material with a layer of brown material to cut down on flies and mask any odors
- \* When composting whole plants remove seed heads and seed pods
- \* If possible avoid adding roots of plants to your compost pile that could generate a whole new plant

Do	Don't
<b><u>Greens (WET &amp; high in nitrogen) 50% 1 Bucket</u></b> Vegetable & fruit scraps Coffee grounds & filters Tea bags Leaves & grass clippings Plant trimmings and houseplants <b><u>Browns (DRY &amp; high in carbon) 50% 2-3 Buckets</u></b> Dry leaves, straw and dry hay Woodchips and sawdust from untreated wood Dried grass clippings Shredded paper Egg and nut shells Paper & shredded newspaper Paper towels and paper tubes	Fish Eggs Dairy products Oily foods or grease Bones Animal waste Diseased plants Seeds of weedy plants Treated wood Anything treated with pesticides