

Composting Data Form

Name:

Type of Organics:
(food waste or yard waste)

Week	Date and Time	Temperature	Moisture Level (dry, moist, wet)	Organisms	Visual Changes	pH	Other
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							
7							
8							

Determining compost pH

Measure 1 tablespoon of compost material from the middle of the pile and place it into a petri dish or other plastic or glass container. Wet the sample with 5 drops of distilled water (from an eyedropper), and allow it to sit for 3-5 minutes. Then place one piece of pH paper (with a range of at least 5-10) on the compost sample, and record the pH value indicated.