



RESIDENTIAL COMPOSTING

Composting is permitted in residential zoning districts, or for residential uses located in non-residential zoning districts, as long as the following standards are met:

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- Composting must be done in a structure:
 - ◇ Must be made of durable material such as wood, brick, concrete, or sturdy metal fencing material
 - ◇ Cannot exceed 300 cubic feet.
 - ◇ Must be neat in appearance, and contents secured within.
 - ◇ Three-bin and barrel composter methods may also be utilized.
 - ◇ Must be located in the rear yard of the property and set back at least three feet from any side lot line, rear lot line, dwelling unit, or structure.
 - ◇ If a rear yard location is unavailable or impractical, the Director of Public Safety or their authorized designee may approve compost structure may be placed in another location.

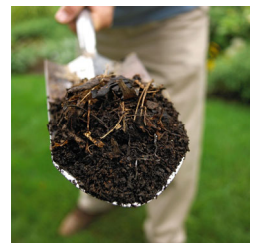


- Only organic materials may be placed in the compost structure
 - ◇ grass clippings, leaves, flowers, dried weeds, sawdust, wood ash, plant trimmings, straw
 - ◇ vegetable and fruit scraps, coffee grounds, soiled paper napkins, egg shells, newspaper



- The following materials shall not be placed in compost structures:
 - ◇ meat, bones, fat, oils, whole eggs, dairy products
 - ◇ whole branches or logs,
 - ◇ Plastics, synthetic fibers, non-compostable papers, and “commercially compostable” products (these won’t break down in a back yard set-up)
 - ◇ human or pet wastes
 - ◇ diseased plants (these can spread diseases when finished compost is used)

- Compost shall be regularly turned over and mixed within the compost structure in order to keep the material aerated, to minimize odor generation, and promote effective decomposition of the compost material such that it will not create a public nuisance or health hazard.



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SECTION 601.13**

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PROPERTY LINES

Tips and hints for locating corner property irons:

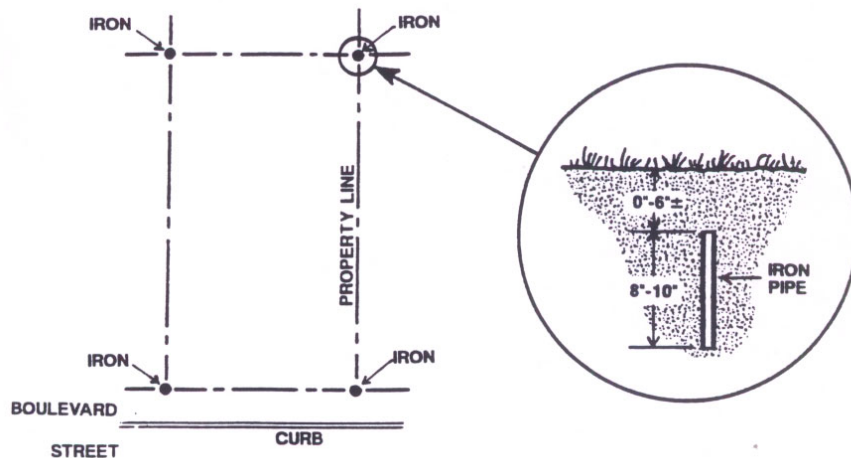
- PROTECT YOURSELF from injury. Find out where underground utilities are buried BEFORE digging. Call Gopher State One Call at 651-252-1166 to have your utilities located. This is a FREE service.
- If an adjacent neighbor has recently done construction, they likely had to locate their irons and may be able to show you where they found a shared iron(s).
- Find out the length of your property lines. This will help you measure the distance to the other irons once you find the first one. Go to <https://gis.hennepin.us/property>, enter your address, click on the layers symbol in the top right corner, and then check the "parcel annotation" box.
- Renting a metal detector can give you an indication of an iron location before you start digging. **Be careful not to disturb the iron monument when digging.**
- You may not be able to find one or more of your property irons. Sometimes irons are dug up when utility work, street construction or similar activity has taken place near your property corners. If you can find the two on either side of the one that is missing, you can triangulate where it should be by measuring the distance from the other ones.
- Utility poles, hedges, sidewalk edges, fences, etc. are **not** necessarily correct indicators of property line location.

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For Building permits:

The Inspections Department requires you to locate at least two property irons prior to issuance of any building permit. Depending on the extent and location of work, a certificate of survey, prepared by a licensed surveyor, may be required.

For Planning & Zoning permits

A current certificate of survey is required for all planning & zoning applications. Old "surveys" indicating a "proposed building" are not acceptable.

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