

The Composting Story

Midland Composting and Recycling were extremely forward thinking when in 1996 they set up a venture for the recycling of green waste from local authority kerbside collections and CA sites.

Local authorities and private landscaping contractors supply a containment free feedstock that is introduced into a green waste recycling scheme, one of the largest composting operations in the UK. This form of recycling has allowed Local Authorities to divert significant amounts of household waste from landfill sites to composting sites producing a highly sustainable end product.

The Story Begins....

Green waste is collected through schemes such as kerbside collections and civic amenity sites. The green waste feedstock then arrives at Midland Composting & Recycling whereby it is offloaded and shredded into windrows, which are approximately 3 metres in height. Specialised shredding equipment is required for this process.

The composting process begins....

Once shredding is completed and the windrows formed the material is turned at least once a week by front loaders. During turning it is important that all the material goes through a high temperature phase and receives adequate oxygen. Achieving high temperatures is important because heat destroys pathogenic micro-organisms and plant weed seeds.

The composting process takes approximately 8-12 weeks to complete, during this time the material is constantly monitored by experienced staff. Once the green material has reached maturity it goes into the final stage.

The final stage of the process involves passing the compost through a screener to remove the larger material. After screening is completed the compost is then ready for sale as **CARE COMPOST™**

Midland Compost & Recycling take great care during the whole composting process to ensure that the whole process is free from contaminants and mature at the point of sale and distribution, providing its customers with a 100% recycled peat free material that is environmentally safe.

THE recycling loop of CARE COMPOST™ illustrates that MCR have produced an environmentally acceptable & beneficial product that can be produced from garden and yard trimmings, providing gardeners with a cost effective alternative material to peat based products.

That's not all...

CARE COMPOST™ is sold in both 40L bags as well as bulk for larger applications and has been used commercially on agricultural land to improve soil structure and

fertility, on landscape contracts carried out by Jack Moody Ltd in addition to operations carried out by Local Authorities.

100% RECYCLED
PEAT FREE

PRODUCT FEATURES

- Derived from green organic recycled materials
- Consistent product quality, within specified tolerances
- Processed under quality controlled compost conditions
- Rich dark brown in colour with pleasant earthy odour
- Peat free, suppresses the growth of bacteria and weed seed
- Improves drainage in wet conditions and water holding capabilities in dry conditions
- Naturally rich in nutrients
- Builds a natural fertility in soil increasing root structure

BY USING CARE COMPOST™
EVERYONE CAN PLAY THEIR PART IN
THE RECYCLING LOOP

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BY RECYCLING YOUR GARDEN &
YARD TRIMMINGS YOU CAN ALSO
PLAY A MAJOR ROLE IN LOCAL
RECYCLING INITIATIVE

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