

Cheat Sheet for “End of Year Bucket Cleaning.”

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Cheat Sheet for "Lids for Composting Bucket.”

Tools:

1. Safety goggles.
2. Drill.
3. Large drill bit or spade bit.
4. Jigsaw.
5. Fine tooth Jigsaw blade, a fine tooth blade works best on plastic.
6. Siccors to cut the window screen.
7. Optional – masking tape.
8. Optional – trash bag.
9. Optional – bucket to hold the lid.
10. Optional - wooden stick to debur or remove plastic cuttings from the edge.

Materials:

1. Window screen.
2. Glue – This is the only glue that will work on these plastic buckets. (The Loctite Plastics Bonding System is a two-part cyanoacrylate adhesive that sets in seconds and develops tremendous strength with just one drop. The activator primes hard-to-bond surfaces such as polypropylene and polyethylene (buckets). Loctite Super Glue Plastics Bonding System dries clear and sets without clamping.)
3. A yellow lid.
4. Optional - Trash bag.

Directions:

1. Place a trash bag inside a bucket and attach the lid to the bucket. Tape two full lines of tape onto the lid to make a cross. Drill three holes in each of the quarters, one in each corner. Make sure the drill holes are big enough for a jigsaw blade to fit down.
2. Using a fine tooth blade in your jigsaw cut out each of the four sections.
3. Use either a file or a piece of wood to deburr the edges of each cut out.
4. Cut your window screen to the proper size.
5. Place your window screen on top of your lid and add one drop of activator, make sure you get it through the screen and down onto the plastic lid. Allow to dry for 60 seconds.
6. Then apply a drop of glue, allowed to dry.

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7. Once that glue is dry, the screen should stay in place so glue a couple more spots to hold it firmly in place. Once they are dry, you can glue all around the edge.
8. You now have a lid that will allow air in and keep the bugs out.
9. Place on your composting bucket.