



**For greenhouse samples:**

Type of growing media:

- peat/vermiculite  
 new mix  old mix

other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

**Fertilizer materials used in past month:**

	Date	Kind	Amount (oz/100 plants)
Lime	_____	_____	_____
Fertilizer	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____

Greenhouse media: Check one type of planting.

Provide additional information requested:

<b>Vegetable &amp; Fruit</b>			
<input type="radio"/>	Annual vegetable	Variety	Weeks after planting: for tomatoes, number of clusters
			Condition of foliage: : good fair poor Fruit set: good fair poor
<input type="radio"/>	Perennial vegetable		<input type="radio"/> To be planted <input type="radio"/> Established
<input type="radio"/>	Strawberry		<input type="radio"/> To be planted <input type="radio"/> Established
			Year fruit will set:
<b>Ornamental Shrub and/or Tree Nursery</b>			
<input type="radio"/>	Woody ornamentals that prefer low pH		<input type="radio"/> To be planted <input type="radio"/> Established
<input type="radio"/>	Other woody ornamentals		<input type="radio"/> To be planted <input type="radio"/> Established
<b>Flowers</b>			
<input type="radio"/>	Annual & biennial flowers		<input type="radio"/> To be planted <input type="radio"/> Established
<input type="radio"/>	Perennial flowers, bulbs, & ground cover		<input type="radio"/> To be planted <input type="radio"/> Established
<input type="radio"/>	Other	Please specify:	<input type="radio"/> To be planted <input type="radio"/> Established

**For compost samples:**

Type of Compost:

- backyard pile or bin  
 large static pile  
 turned pile  
 turned windrow  
 in-vessel

Compost feedstock (check all that apply):

- leaves and woody yard waste  
 grass clippings  
 food scraps/waste  
 manure: type \_\_\_\_\_  
 stall bedding: type \_\_\_\_\_  
 other: \_\_\_\_\_

Compost is best used as a soil conditioner. A fully mature compost improves soil quality by increasing organic matter content, improving fertility, nutrient-holding capacity, water-holding capacity, biological activity, and soil structure & tilth.

Compost testing is most useful for evaluating maturity of the compost and its relative benefit as a soil amendment. Compost may not work well by itself as growing media.