



YOLO-SOLANO AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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**COMPOSTING PERMIT EXEMPTION REQUEST FORM
FORM 401**

AGRICULTURAL EXEMPTION: District Rule 3.2 defines specific operations which are exempt from the need to obtain District Authority to Construct (ATCs) and Permits to Operate (PTOs). Section 107 of Rule 3.2 defines that “equipment used exclusively in the growing of agricultural crops...” is exempt from the need to have District permits. This exemption has been extended to not only the growing, but also to activities carried on “incidentally or in conjunction with” the growing of such crops.

Based on legal precedence, in order to be exempt, the activities which are “incidental to or in conjunction with” the growing must be done “on the farm” and “by the farmer”. In addition, the equipment can’t be used to make a separate valuable commodity. In order to qualify for a permit exemption for on farm composting, you cannot commercially receive other products (e.g. diverted waste from municipalities, grocery stores, biosolids). You cannot make money from the receipt of materials (e.g. receive a “tipping” fee). In addition, the compost produced cannot be sold, otherwise it has become a separate valuable commodity.

1. FEEDSTOCK PROCESSED

Prunings (trees/vineyards) Manure Other (specify) _____

2. PREREQUISITES FOR EXEMPTION

I am producing the compost on my farm

None of the compost will be sold

3. OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION

Company Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Responsible Official: _____ Title: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____ Cell Number: (____) _____

E-mail Address: _____

4. EQUIPMENT LOCATION: Specify the street address of the farm where the processing equipment is located. If the location does not have a designated address, specify the road and cross road: _____

Please attach a map or a satellite photo showing the location of the composting operation.

5. AGRICULTURAL ENGINES: Excluding tractors or vehicles, are any internal combustion engines over 50 horsepower used in the production of the compost? No Yes If so, these engines must be registered with the District.

6. OPERATIONAL DATE: Specify the year the equipment first began operating: _____

7. SIGNATURE:

Check this box to certify that the composting operation qualifies for permit exemption, as it is being done “on the farm, by the farmer” and the finished composting is not being sold.

Application must be signed by the responsible official. By signing this document, you are indicating that all information contained in this document and in any attachments are true, accurate and complete to the best of your knowledge.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____