



# FIELD TESTING FOR COMPOSTABLE PRODUCTS

We submit all of our BPI-certified items to the Compost Manufacturing Alliance (CMA) for field testing.

The CMA is a nationwide partnership of compost manufacturing facilities providing field disintegration testing for foodservice products across the country. CMA's mission is to make compost manufacturing more sustainable by working proactively to field-test compostable products in real-world compost processing technologies. We were one of the first supporters of CMA as we see value in having composters test and confirm that our products break down successfully at their facilities. This is a valuable complement to the lab-based BPI certification, which we have long used as third-party validation of compostability.

## Composting Technologies:

### CMA-W

(Windrow Technology)

### CMA-I

(Covered In-Vessel)

### CMA-MSAP

(Modified Static Aerated Pile)

### CMA-TA

(Tunnel)

### CMA-S

(Substrate Acceptance)



Product Type	CMA-W	CMA-I	CMA-MSAP	CMA-TA
<b>Bags &amp; Can Liners</b> <i>PBAT</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Containers</b> <i>Vanguard Molded Fiber</i>	✓			
<b>Cups, Containers, &amp; Lids</b> <i>Clear PLA</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Cutlery</b> <i>cPLA/PLA</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Cutlery*</b> <i>Wood</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Food Trays*</b> <i>Paper</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Hot Cup Sleeves</b> <i>Paper</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Hot Cups &amp; Soup Cups</b> <i>PLA-Lined Paperboard</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Lids</b> <i>cPLA</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Sandwich Wrapper</b> <i>Paper</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Stir Sticks</b> <i>Wood</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Straws</b> <i>PLA</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓

\* CMA-S Substrate Acceptance