

Enjoy Life!  
Live Green!

THRA 2015



## Facts to know about Tang:

### Recycling

We do Single-stream Recycling in Tang. Recycling collectors (**large blue barrels**) are located on the ground floor outside of the back entrance of the building. Please do your best to recycle your waste.

Some items that need to be recycled separately:

- **Plastic bags.** Plastic bags are not compatible with Single-stream Recycling system thus need to be handle separately. The plastic-bag-recycling bin is in the front lobby of Tang.
- **Batteries.** Tang front desk will take your used batteries.
- **Electronic items.** For small items, please put them in the electronic collector in the Tang front lobby. For large items, please go to Atlas, Service Request, and create a request to have them picked up.
- **Light bulbs.** Please go to Atlas and request to have them picked up.

### Composting

The composting collector (**large black barrel with green lid**) is on the right when you exit the back door of the building. The compostable will be handled off-campus to produce energy and fertilizer.

Please follow the rules on the right for what to compost and what cannot.

### Trash Disposal

Each floor has a trash chute near the stairwell. Please put bags of trash into the chute, leave the area clean, and close the chute when done. The covers don't always shut tight automatically. Please ensure that they are shut tight after dumping garbage down. Usually, there is a telltale 'click' on the cover latch that will indicate that it is closed.

Please DON'T throw large pieces of trash (pizza box etc.) through the chute. This may result in blocking of the chute. Take the trash directly downstairs if it's too big. Put them into recycling bins if they are recyclable.

### Gardening

One-two slots of the Westgate-Tang garden (next to shuttle station) are opened to Tang residents each year. The plots will be allocated on a lottery basis.

Contact [tang-recycling-gardening@mit.edu](mailto:tang-recycling-gardening@mit.edu) if you are interested.

## DOs & DON'Ts

### DO RECYCLE

All office paper  
Newspaper and magazines  
Junk mail  
Paperboard  
Tissue boxes and toilet paper rolls  
Food packaging (un-waxed only)  
Paper milk/juice cartons (empty)  
Empty paper coffee cups (plastic lids removed)  
Metal/tin beverage/food containers  
Aluminum foil/take-out containers  
Kitchen cookware: metal pots, pans, tins and utensils  
All colored glass bottles and jars  
All plastics numbered 1-7

### DO COMPOST

Food scraps  
Food soiled papers  
Clean wood  
Plants  
Waxed paper or cardboard  
Cutlery labeled as "compostable"

### DON'T RECYCLE

Napkins  
Styrofoam containers  
Aerosol cans  
Food waste  
Waxed paper  
Any paper product which has the potential to be contaminated with bodily fluids  
Mirror glass  
Window glass  
Ceramic

### DON'T COMPOST

Any paper product which has the potential to be contaminated with bodily fluids  
Diseased plants  
Animal Feces  
Juice box and milk box with foil linear  
Plywood, pressboard, stained wood  
Plastic, metal, glass.