



Twine, Bale Wrap, Silage Bags/Bunker Covers Recycling Pilot Q&A

1. What is collected as part of this pilot?

Clean twine, bale wrap, silage bag/bunker cover pieces that are placed in a clear collection bag

2. What is NOT collected?

- Net wrap or netting
- Fiber twine (sisal)
- Nylon rope

3. Why can't farmers include net wrap in collection bags?

Though it looks similar, net wrap is made from a different type of plastic than twine

No recycling markets are available for net wrap

The inclusion of net wrap in a collection bag means that all material must be sent to landfill – that means none of it can be recycled

4. Can farmers use seed or polywoven bags as an alternate collection bag?

No, we need the bags to be clear to ensure the material is recyclable

5. Can farmers use alternate bags as a collection bag?

If the bag is strong and clear, it can be used

E.g., no standard thin garbage bags

6. What does recycled material get used for?

Examples of products may include car parts, flowerpots, and plastic lumber

7. How many bags should I give each farmer?

The farmer will have a good sense of how many they need. If a farmer is using a large amount of bags (multiple rolls of bags in a season), please refer them to Cleanfarms coordinator, Carly to discuss the use of an on-farm press.

8. Why does the bag have to be tied shut?

It helps to keep moisture and other contaminants off the material

9. What happens if material is brought in loose?

Provide the farmer with a bag.

Follow proper instructions to prepare material for collection.

10. How can I help ensure material collection and drop-off goes smoothly?

Share the information and materials provided with farmers when they visit your site

Provide feedback to your site supervisor and Cleanfarms contacts

11. Who can I contact at Cleanfarms if I have specific questions?

Contact Cleanfarms at 1-877-622-4460

Contact the Cleanfarms Project Coordinator, Carly Fraser, at: 416-736-8492 or fraserc@cleanfarms.ca