

Happy April! We hope you are all still having fun with your worms, they're having a lot of fun with you! Just to make sure they're happy, here are some tips to help you take care of them as best you can.

Troubleshooting your worm bin

Too wet or smells like rotten eggs or garbage?

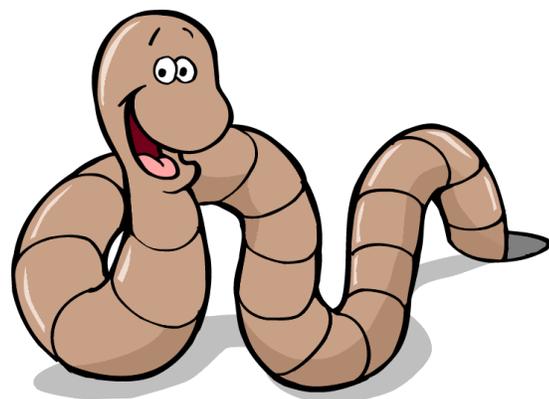
Add more shredded paper! Make sure you don't have any meat, cooked food or dairy products and cover the food scraps with bedding. Don't add any food scraps until the odor is gone.

Too dry?

If the bedding seems dry, sprinkle it with water until it's damp like a wrung-out sponge.

Too many other bugs?

Ask the Worm Lady! If you have fruit flies, it means you should cover the



Worms climbing up the sides?

Worms climbing up the container sides could mean the bin is too hot. Shade the box or move it to a cooler location. The bin also could be too wet, so add fresh bedding. It could also mean the bedding is all castings, so make sure to add more food.

Finding mold or fungus in your bin?

Molds and fungi can tell us if you are giving the worms too much or too little food. Since they grow well in still, quiet environments, large amounts of mold and fungi indicate there is more food than the system can quickly manage and you should feed. Mold and fungi pose no threat to the garden or the animals living in the worm bin, but can cause irritation to humans with mold allergies. If you are allergic to molds, your bin should be kept outdoors or in a garage or basement that is well ventilated to reduce or eliminate irritation.



Not eating the food you left them?

By now you have probably noticed what food your worms like more than others. If they haven't eaten the food you left for them a couple of weeks after you put it in the bin, they probably don't like the food. Take the food out, and compost it in a regular compost bin.

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