

# WHAT IS PAS 100?

PAS 100 is a **UK quality standard for compost** made from recycled organic materials such as garden and food waste. It confirms that compost has been **produced safely, tested thoroughly, and meets strict quality controls**.

In short, PAS 100 gives you confidence that the compost you are using is **safe, reliable and responsibly produced**.

## What does PAS 100 guarantee?

Compost certified to PAS 100 must meet high standards at every stage of production, including:

### 1. Approved raw materials

Only suitable organic waste is used, ensuring the compost is clean and appropriate for growing and landscaping.

### 2. Controlled production process

The composting process is carefully managed to ensure the material is fully matured, stable and safe to use.

### 3. Regular independent testing

PAS 100 compost is routinely tested to confirm it:

- Is free from harmful pathogens
- Contains safe levels of nutrients and organic matter
- Meets strict limits for contaminants such as plastics, glass and stones
- Complies with UK limits for heavy metals

### 4. Full traceability

Every batch of compost can be traced back through the production process, ensuring transparency and accountability.

## Why is PAS 100 important?

- It is **recognised across the UK** by landscapers, growers and local authorities
- It ensures compost is **fit for purpose and consistent in quality**
- It helps protect **plants, soil and the wider environment**
- PAS 100 compost can achieve **"end-of-waste" status**, meaning it is classed as a quality product, not waste

## What does this mean for you?

Using PAS 100 certified compost means you can be confident that the product:

- Is safe to use in gardens, landscaping and growing applications
- Has been independently assessed against nationally recognised standards
- Supports sustainable and responsible recycling practices

## In summary

**PAS 100 certification is your assurance that the compost you're using meets strict UK standards for quality, safety and environmental responsibility.**