

Information on Environmental Standards

SOILCO products are made from organic materials, including composted garden and food organics and contains living microorganisms, including bacteria, fungi, and protozoa. They may also contain mineral and fertiliser additives.

Organic compost and composted mulches are produced from garden and food waste may contain minimal levels of contaminant materials (including plastic/paper/ glass/metal sharps etc.). Precautionary measures such as the wearing of gloves and enclosed footwear is recommended.

All SOILCO products are quality assured and manufactured following all relevant best practice guidelines and Australian Standards.

The Australian Standard for Soils (AS4419) recognises the presence of physical contamination. *The ubiquitous and endemic prevalence of materials such as glass and plastic in the environment means that it is impossible to guarantee that the manufacture of recycled soils will be completely free of physical contaminants.*

Soils conforming with the Standard may contain up to the following levels:

Glass, metal and rigid plastics.....	0.25% (DM w/w)
Plastics- light, flexible or film.....	0.025% (DM w/w)

The Australian Standard for Compost (AS4454) and EPA RROs provide the following limits for visible contaminants.

Glass, metal and rigid plastics.....	0.5% (DM w/w)
Plastics- light, flexible or film.....	0.05% (DM w/w)
Stones and lumps of clay	5% DM (w/w)

