

RCW 70A.455.040 Requirements for a product labeled

"compostable." (1) A product labeled as "compostable" that is sold, offered for sale, or distributed for use in Washington by a producer must:

- (a) Meet ASTM standard specification D6400;
 - (b) Meet ASTM standard specification D6868; or
 - (c) Be comprised of wood, which includes renewable wood, or fiber-based substrate only.
- (2) A product described in subsection (1)(a) or (b) of this section must:
- (a) Meet labeling requirements established under the United States federal trade commission's guides; and
 - (b) Feature labeling that:
 - (i) Meets industry standards for being distinguishable upon quick inspection in both public sorting areas and in processing facilities;
 - (ii) Uses a logo indicating the product has been certified by a recognized third-party independent verification body as meeting the ASTM standard specification;
 - (iii) Displays the word "compostable," where possible, indicating the product has been tested by a recognized third-party independent body and meets the ASTM standard specification; and
 - (iv) Uses green, beige, or brown labeling, color striping, or other green, beige, or brown symbols, colors, tinting, marks, or design patterns that help differentiate compostable items from noncompostable items. [2022 c 180 § 803; 2019 c 265 § 4. Formerly RCW 70.360.040.]

Findings—Intent—Scope of authority of chapter 180, Laws of 2022—2022 c 180: See notes following RCW 70A.205.007.