



HOW TO PREPARE A SOIL SAMPLE FOR FREE TESTING

1 Dig a small amount of soil from 3-5 areas in one section of your garden, to create a "composite sample."

2 Mix the soil sample, removing twigs, pebbles, or other debris. Transfer to plastic bag

3 Repeat Step 1 again for a different 'section' of the garden (for example: if your first sample is from the raised beds, you could take a second sample from a perennial bed) **LIMIT 2-3 SAMPLES PER GARDEN**

Sampling Depth: - Lawn/grass - 3-4"
- Vegetables - 6-8" - Other plants - 6-8"

** be sure to take soil from the appropriate depth AS WELL AS a small amount of surface soil from each sampling area**

4 Bring your soil to the **Riley Levin Children's Garden** at Sherman Creek Park on **Sept 10** between **2-4pm** to get it tested!

These protocols are adopted from materials developed by Nathan Hunter at Concrete Plant Park!