

KLASMANN COMPOST STORAGE CONDITIONS & TIME

Klasmann composts can be <u>stored for up to 4 months.</u> Conditions: Cool temperatures - under 20°C Closed bags - open bags cause the compost to mineralise faster. Do not expose bags to direct light

Potash and Phosphorus will stay available for a long time in the compost. Nitrogen will last up to 4 months in closed bags. If bags are left open, the oxygen will speed up the mineralisation and Nitrogen will be lost if not taken up by plants. Even if the compost is not used within recommended time and has mineralised completely it is still okay for sowing seeds, but feeding of the plants has to start earlier. Sometimes Saprophytic fungus – white or yellowish fungus will appear on top of soil. This is no problem, it is just optical, just mix the compost well.

The composts contain organic matter and can attract fungus gnats, these are small flies that infest soil, potting mix and other sources of organic decomposition. At production level, the composts have been treated with Hypoaspis (predator mites) and this will help limit fungus gnats considerably. Correct storage and use within the recommended time will prevent problems too. You can use yellow sticky traps at first signs of flies around the compost.

