

THE FIRST 16 WEEKS WITH YOUR MICHIGAN SOILWORKS CFT



Initial Startup

Week 0

- Assemble the CFT
- Line grating and add 4 inches (10 cm) of base layer
- Top with 4 inches (10 cm) of feedstock
- Add livestock – 20 lbs (10 kg) of worms per module
- Support from Michigan SoilWorks as needed

Start Filling the Bin

Weeks 1 to 8

- Add 2 inches (5 cm) of feedstock weekly
- Bin will be about 2/3 full by week 8

Harvesting the Base Layer

Weeks 9 & 10

- Pull the cutting bar across and back
- Increase feeding to 3-4 inches (8-10 cm) per week
- Repeat for 2 weeks

Continue Filling the Bin

Weeks 11 to 14

- Continue feeding 3-4 inches per week
- No harvesting these weeks until the bin is full

First Production Harvest

Week 15 or 16

- Run the cutting bar across and back
- Feed as usual

Cruise Control

You're Off and Running!

- Transition to a weekly routine
- Continue harvesting and feeding once weekly
- Your CFT has reached full production

