

In accordance with Mandatory Recycling Ordinance 1777.03, No person receiving municipal solid waste collection services in the City shall fail to separate all recyclable materials, including yard waste, from other refuse. The Division of Refuse and Recycling provides once-per-week curbside collection on the regular collection day. Set-out material for collection between 6:00 p.m. the night before and 6:30 a.m. on the regular collection day.

YARD WASTE GUIDELINES

Yard Waste Guidelines are established by the Director of Public Works in the interest of collection efficiency and employee safety. Contain and bundle yard waste according to these guidelines to assure collection. Yard waste contained in garbage cans, plastic bags, or refuse carts, overweight bags or bundles, and uncut, untied branches or shrubs may result in collection fees or an administrative cost incurred for the enforcement of rules and regulations charged to the property owner. Ord. 1777.02.

Grass clippings, leaves, garden debris:



- ✓ Contain grass clippings, leaves, and loose yard waste in paper yard waste bags, dsolv mesh lawn bags (a new compostable product that is approved for use in our yard waste collection), or uncoated cardboard boxes (maximum size 2'x2').
- ✓ Maximum 50-pound weight limit.
- ✓ No dirt, dog waste, litter, rocks, or sod.
- ✓ No plastic bags or garbage cans.
- Rake leaves to the tree lawn (not into the street) during the Streets Division's Fall Leaf Collection, from the first Monday in November to mid-December.

Tree branches, bushes, shrubs:



- ✓ Cut branches, bushes, and shrubs into 4-foot lengths.
- ✓ Tie securely into manageable bundles.
- ✓ Use strong twine or rope; **no wire**.
- ✓ Maximum bundle size 4-foot x 18-inches.
- ✓ Maximum 50-pound weight limit.



- ✓ Cut logs into 6-inch x 18-inch pieces and stack neatly.
- ✓ Remove root systems from trunk, cut into pieces weighing less than 50-pounds each
- ✓ Knock dirt off root systems
- ✓ Contain dirt separately as trash; dirt is not collected as yard waste because it damages processing equipment.

Options to the use of paper yard waste bags for curbside collection are: Use dsolv mesh lawn bags or uncoated cardboard boxes, or drop-off at the Refuse and Recycling Drop-Off Facility, 12920 Berea Road, where any type of container can be used and emptied into a yard waste truck. Backyard Composting and GrassCycling are another option.

Contact the Division of Refuse and Recycling at (216) 252-4322 for information about the weekly curbside yard waste collection, drop-off facility hours, backyard composting, and GrassCycling, or visit Refuse and Recycling on the City of Lakewood website at OneLakewood.com.

Contact the Streets and Forestry Division at (216) 529-6811 for information about the Fall Leaf Collection (Streets Division collects leaves raked to the tree lawn between the 1st Monday in November to mid-December,) Christmas Tree Pick-up (through the last Friday in January,) and branches downed by high winds (move branches to tree lawn within one week of storm damage for this collection.) Visit Streets & Forestry on the City of Lakewood website at OneLakewood.com.