

WEST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY – FRIDAY 7AM – 3PM
SATURDAY 8AM – 12PM

YARD DEBRIS AND RECYCLING DROP OFF

RESIDENTS ONLY

MONDAY – FRIDAY 8AM – 2PM
SATURDAY 8AM – 12PM

YARD WASTE REMINDERS

- ❖ Leaves must be separated from brush.
- ❖ Follow pickup schedule.
- ❖ Do not park in the street when collection crews are in your zone.
- ❖ Never park a vehicle on a pile of leaves, even if the pile is wet.
- ❖ No yard waste shall be placed closer than 10 feet from a storm drain inlet.
- ❖ Keep bike lanes clear of leaves/yard debris for safety of our cyclists.
- ❖ Yard Waste collection shall not take place for the months of January & February.
- ❖ Brush mixed with leaves will NOT be collected.

All material must be at curbside by 7:00 a.m. on the first day of the collection week for that zone.

Sweeping, raking, blowing or otherwise placing yard waste that is not containerized at the curb or along the street is only allowed during the seven days prior to a scheduled and announced collection, and yard waste shall not be placed closer than 10 feet to any storm drain inlet, nor in such a manner that it blocks a bicycle lane or other depressed curb crosswalk. West Windsor Township, Municipal Code, Art II, § 150-26

YARD WASTE BRUSH AND LEAF COLLECTION

- ❖ **LEAVES MUST BE SEPARATED FROM BRUSH.** Brush mixed with leaves will NOT be collected.
- ❖ Do not put any yard waste in bags. All material must be in open cans or loose at curb between curb and sidewalk. Bagged materials will not be collected. Rake, sweep or blow leaves into a pile curbside.
- ❖ Do not place leaves, brush or yard waste on sidewalks or in a manner that obstructs safe street or walkway passage, including bike lanes.
- ❖ Yard waste at curbside must be at least 10 feet from any storm drain inlet to prevent blockages in storm drains.
- ❖ It is the homeowner's responsibility to have their landscaper comply with the schedule and guidelines to avoid getting a warning or a fine.

Brush piles can contain tree branches, twigs, and tree trimmings. Size regulations:

- ❖ Tree trunks and logs shall not exceed 6 inches in width and 18 inches in length.
- ❖ Tree parts exceeding 6 inches in width or 18 inches in length will not be collected.
- ❖ Branches over 4 inches in diameter must be cut into pieces no longer than 18 inches in length.
- ❖ All brush put at the curb must be no longer than 5 ft in length.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT DO YOU COLLECT?

Branches, twigs, shrub clippings, garden trimmings, plant stalks, pine needles, tree trimmings & pruning debris, weeds, flowers, brown Sweet Gum seed balls, and all other vegetative yard debris. Leaves must be separated.

WHAT IS NOT COLLECTED?

Garbage, grass clippings, soil, railroad ties, landscape timber, pressure-treated materials, concrete, bricks, tree stumps or large tree limbs, wood, construction materials, stones, plywood, 2x4s, etc.

CAN I PUT LEAVES IN BAGS?

No. Plastic or paper bags, regardless of whether the manufacturer had designated them as biodegradable, are **NOT** permitted.

WHY WAS MY CO-MINGLED PILE OF LEAVES & BRUSH DEBRIS NOT COLLECTED?

NJDEP regulations state that **leaves must be separated from brush debris** for proper processing at recycling facilities. Mixed yard debris also pose hazards to employees and can cause damage to leaf collection equipment. Crews will leave residents a door hanger notice stating why their yard debris was not collected so it can be corrected before their next scheduled zone collection.

I DIDN'T PUT MY YARD WASTE OUT IN TIME TO BE COLLECTED, NOW WHAT?

Unfortunately, collection crews **CANNOT** go back into an area that has been serviced to stay on schedule. You will have to wait until your next scheduled pickup or bring your yard waste to the Public Works Facility.