

*****NOTICE*****

CODE OF ORDINANCES

CHAPTER 26 ARTICLE II SECTION 36/38

(26-36) Collection of yard waste

The city will arrange for periodic pickup and disposal of yard waste such as leaves, trimmings, cuttings, and small branches or limbs.

(26-38) Placement of yard waste for collection

Permitted yard waste may be placed upon city streets rights-of-way. Yard waste should be placed so as **not** to block any gutter or drainage ditch or to impede the passage of traffic upon city streets.

*****PENALTIES*****

CHAPTER 26 ARTICLE II SECTION 5-6

(26-5) Joint liability of property owner and tenants.

Property owners are responsible for the proper disposal of solid waste originating upon their properties. Owners may be held responsible for violations of this article by their tenants.

Code 12-216 ORD of 6-15-2002 (sec 26-6)

Violators of these city ordinances may be subject to legal proceedings.

*****REMINDERS*****

- ◆ Place yard waste upon city streets rights-of-way.
- ◆ Do not block any gutter or drainage ditch or impede traffic upon city streets.
- ◆ Separate leaves from limbs, cuttings, and other yard materials which must be chipped.
- ◆ No other trash, garbage, or refuse of any kind may be incorporated into yard waste.
- ◆ Yard waste may be burned upon occupants premises in compliance with city burning regulations. For burn permits call 1-877-652-2876.

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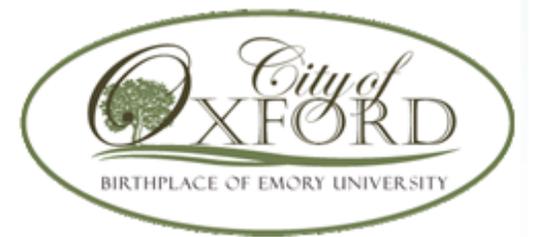
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DISPOSAL OF YARD WASTE



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Definition of Yard Waste

Yard waste is considered to be leaves, brush and shrub trimmings, grass clippings, twigs, and limbs of less than 3 inches in diameter.



Why Is It Important To Properly Dispose Of Yard Waste?

Each of us have a responsibility to protect and maintain clean and healthy waterways. Stormwater drains often flow to our creeks, streams, and rivers. The potential of yard waste such as leaves, grass clippings, and other debris clogging our stormwater sewers is high and can often lead to much more serious issues such as stormwater pollution, localized flooding, or an increase of rats and cockroaches. If yard waste debris travels through the stormwater drains and is able to reach our creeks and rivers, it can have a profound effect. Yard waste has the potential to smother and kill the existing vegetation which protects the creek banks. Excess deposits of yard waste eventually decompose and reduce the amount of dissolved oxygen in our creeks, which in turn effects aquatic life such as fish, amphibians, and aquatic insects. Think for one second about all the fertilizers and pesticides that might be present in typical yard waste and how detrimental those chemicals are to our natural environments. You can do your part to protect our environment by simply disposing of yard waste in a proper way.

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How to Dispose of Yard Waste !

Do's and DON'Ts

DO's

- ◆ Put yard waste on the right-of-way in your yard.
- ◆ Place leaves and grass clippings in neat piles .
- ◆ Apply for a Permit for excess yard waste that exceeds 6 cubic yards. (One pickup truck load)
- ◆ Consider composting your yard waste.

DON'Ts

- ◆ Place yard waste on sidewalks and curbs.
- ◆ Block any gutter or Drainage ditch.
- ◆ Impede passage of traffic on city streets by placing yard waste on the street or hanging off the curb.
- ◆ Include other trash, garbage, or refuse in with yard waste.



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