

- The mechanical curbside leaf collection equipment will leave debris on the street. Street sweeping will begin after curbside leaf collection ends, weather permitting. Residents can assist by sweeping up leaf debris and including it in the bagged collection program.
- Burning leaves is not permitted within city limits.

Frequently Asked Question

Will the city do an extra pick-up if the leaves fall late in the season?

Much of the same equipment used for the leaf collection program is also used for winter operations. Once vehicles are converted to accommodate deicing and snow plowing, they will not be returned to leaf collection service. Historically, our first snowfall occurs by early December. Any leaves that fall after the last collection cycle should be placed in paper yard bags at the curb on garbage collection day through December 16. During a winter plowing event, any leaves in the street will be plowed back onto the parkway. Residents should dispose of those leaves in paper yard waste bags. Stickers are not needed for yard waste bags placed at the curb from November 7 through December 16.

Did You Know?

If every household placed just two paper yard waste bags of leaves at the curb during leaf collection, over 80,000 bags of leaves would be collected, thus helping the city handle the huge volume of leaves our community generates.

**Yard Waste Collection
Deadline**

All bagged and bundled yard waste collection for the year ends
December 16, 2011.

Collection resumes **March 15, 2012.**
Yard waste stickers will be required on all bagged and bundled yard waste.

**2011 yard waste stickers are
valid through 2015.**

Christmas Tree Collection

Live Christmas trees will be collected on each resident's normal garbage collection day during the first two weeks of January. Due to the holiday, collection the first week will begin on Tuesday, January 3. Collection the second week begins Monday, January 9. See the city's website for specific collection details.



Important Phone Numbers

For Bulk Curbside Leaf Collection:
Public Works Operations . . . (630) 420-6095

For Bagged Leaf and Yard Waste Collection:
Allied Waste Services (630) 723-2800

Resources

Leaf collection information is available on Naperville's website, www.naperville.il.us.

Leaf Collection Programs



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Save this brochure for your reference.



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Two Leaf Collection Options

The City of Naperville offers two leaf collection options to meet the needs of residents. The **Free Bagged Leaf Collection Program** (no sticker required) allows residents to dispose of leaves and yard waste weekly in paper yard waste bags.

The city's **Bulk Curbside Collection Program** gives every neighborhood three leaf disposal opportunities.



OPTION 1 Free Bagged Leaf & Yard Waste Collection Program

November 7 - December 16

Beginning November 7, residents may take advantage of the free bagged collection program. The bagging program, provided through Allied Waste, allows residents to dispose of yard waste bags filled with leaves and other yard waste without yard waste stickers each week on their normal trash collection day.

This free bagged collection program is only available from November 7 through December 16. To participate, fill 32-gallon paper yard waste bags with leaves and other yard waste. There is a 60 pound

maximum per bag. Be aware that wet leaves will add to the weight of the bag. Place the bags at the curb on your normal trash collection day.

Leaves and yard waste placed in paper yard waste bags will not require stickers from Nov. 7 - Dec. 16. Branches and other yard waste that are tied into bundles require stickers at all times.

Prior to November 7, a yard waste sticker is required on each bag or bundle placed out for collection. Stickers can be purchased at many Naperville stores or in the Finance Department at the Municipal Center.

OPTION 2 Bulk Curbside Leaf Collection Program *October 17 - November 23*



The bulk curbside leaf collection program provides residents with an alternative way to dispose of their leaves. Using specialized mechanical equipment, city crews collect leaves from the street. Leaf volume and weather uncertainties make it impossible for the city to guarantee curbside leaf collection on a specific day.

The city's curbside leaf collection schedule provides every neighborhood with three collection opportunities between October 17 and November 23, weather permitting. To participate, residents rake leaves into the street next to the curb in front of the house, avoiding storm drains, at the beginning

of each leaf collection cycle. Do not rake leaves to the center of a cul-de-sac.

Leaves must be raked into the street by 6 a.m. on the following dates:

- October 17
- October 31
- November 14

Crews will collect leaves in front of each home once during each two-week collection cycle. For example, residents must rake leaves into the street by 6 a.m. October 17, however, crews may not reach your neighborhood to pick up leaves until October 28.

Please Note:

- **Snow, rain or freezing weather may significantly delay or permanently halt curbside leaf collection. If snow is forecast, residents should bag the remaining leaves.**
- Place only leaves in leaf piles. Items such as branches, twigs, lumber, rocks, Halloween decorations, etc., can cause the equipment to break down. These breakdowns delay the collection process and increase the cost of the program.
- Rake leaves to the street during every collection cycle, even if it is only a small amount. This helps prevent the final collection from having the largest quantity to pick up, when snow is most likely and timing is critical.
- Rake leaves away from storm drains in the street to prevent flooding.