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## LEAF SEASON GUIDE

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*Only Rain in the Drain!*



### *What to do with falling leaves?*

#### Residential Leaf Curbside Collection

Please place the leaves in garbage bags (preferably compostable) or in trash containers. Any type of lawn or garden bag will be fine to use also. The bags will be collected on your regular garbage collection day. Place the bags at the street by 7 a.m. on the collection day. Depending on the volume, it may take the waste collector two (2) collection days to collect the bagged leaves.



Here are a few guidelines to ensure that your bagged leaves are collected:

- ✓ Do not leave bags loose or open.
- ✓ Bags should not weigh more than 60 pounds (lbs).
- ✓ Do not mix trash with the bagged leaves.
- ✓ **Make sure inlets and drainage pipes are kept clear of leaves to avoid serious drainage or flooding problems.**

#### Do's & Don'ts



#### **ILLICIT DISCHARGE DETECTION AND ELIMINATION**

**DO NOT RAKE LEAVES AND OTHER DEBRIS ON THE CURB**

Leaves, chemicals or any other debris is in  
Violation Storm Ordinance Section 122-304 – Subject to fines



An **illicit discharge** is defined as any discharge to the municipal separate storm sewer system that is not composed entirely of storm water, except for discharges allowed under a NPDES permit or waters used for firefighting operations. These non-stormwater discharges occur due to illegal connections to the storm drain system from business or commercial establishments. As a result of these illicit connections, contaminated wastewater enters into storm drains or directly into local waters before receiving treatment from a wastewater treatment plant.

# HOME OWNERS AND CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

## DO NOT PLACE ON CITY CURB

Violation of City Ordinance Chapter 106, Section 106 - 116 – Subject to fines

If a contractor is hired, it is up to the homeowner and contractor to remove any of the debris listed below from the residence at a legal landfill.

**Carpet  
Landlord Eviction Debris**

**Bath Tubs  
Demolition Debris**

**Construction Debris  
Landscaping & Tree Debris**

If your limbs are not in compliance, the waste collector will not pick up your debris. Solid Waste Inspectors will come to your residence and make an assessment of the cost of your curbside debris in regards to the City ordinance, Sec. 106-112 (Nonrecurring or infrequent special collection and removal service fees).

### Solid Waste Crew Fees:

- Hand crew -- \$90.00 per hour
- Bobcat crew -- \$151.00 per hour
- Clamshell crew -- \$156.00 per hour

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## Stormwater Management Facts

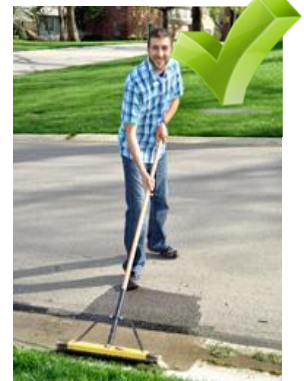
### *Only Rain in the Drain!*

- ❖ Did you know stormwater pollution is the nation's leading threat to clean water?
- ❖ Did you know yard debris clogs stormwater pipes which causes **flooding** & costly maintenance that may be passed on to homeowners?
- ❖ Did you know as yard debris rots, nutrients (nitrogen & phosphorus) are released into the water which causes the death of fish?
- ❖ Did you know dumping into any storm drain is not just wrong, it's **ILLEGAL!**

In order to assist with the efforts to control stormwater pollution, we must get involved and attend our Neighborhood Associations and attend the City's Community Orient Policing (COP's) meetings.

### We can all help by doing the following:

- ❖ Bag your leaves
- ❖ **Stop** littering
- ❖ Properly dispose pet waste
- ❖ Reduce fertilizer and pesticide use
- ❖ Keep **grass** clippings out of the streets
- ❖ **Wash** vehicles at home on grass
- ❖ **Recycle** motor **oil** and other chemicals
- ❖ Never dump anything down a storm drain
- ❖ Report clogged storm drains to **601.960.1870**



**The pollution you prevent today will protect our waters tomorrow.**

In order to make a difference, it takes individuals to change their habits and learn the proper practice to control pollution.

\*\*We welcome volunteers from our communities to help spread the message by placing **No Dumping** markers on our storm drains in our neighborhoods to remind us not to illegally dump **leaves** in our storm drains and gutters to prevent flooding problems.

