



NORTH GREENBUSH HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FALL CLEAN UP INFORMATION



North Greenbush Highway Department collects tree branches, brush, leaves, and grass clippings for town residents. The service runs from mid-October until the weather no longer permits safe removal of those items. The service typically ends with the first significant snow fall requiring plowing efforts by our Highway employees. Information in this flyer is meant to serve as a guide for safe and timely removal of grass, leaves, tree limbs and brush.

BAGGED YARD WASTE

This service is conducted on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday except federal holidays such as Veteran's Day. The service resumes the day after the holiday.

ACCEPTABLE YARD WASTE INCLUDES LEAVES, LAWN CLIPPINGS AND WEEDS

- ALL ITEMS MUST BE IN BROWN PAPER BAGS OR CONTAINERS clearly labeled for pickup/removal
- LARGE PAPER BAGS AND GROCERY STORE BAGS ARE ACCEPTABLE
- CONTAINERS MUST BE 32 GALLONS OR LESS
- NO PLASTIC BAGS - plastic bags will be left in place

TREE LIMBS AND BRUSH

This service does not have a set schedule.

This service is performed with specialized equipment and does not process or pickup yard waste or leaf piles.

- BRUSH SHOULD BE 8" (eight inches) OR LESS IN DIAMETER. LIMBS SHOULD BE 8ft (eight feet) OR LESS IN LENGTH
- PLEASE PUT BRUSH BY THE ROADSIDE WITH CUT ENDS FACING THE ROAD
- NOT ALL BRUSH CAN BE PROCESSED BY OUR WOOD CHIPPER - if a brush pile is left in place by our chipper crew but is still acceptable for removal, we will return at a later date with different vehicles to complete the task.

LEAF VACUUMING

This service does not have a set schedule.

This service is performed by specialized equipment and does not pick up yard waste or brush.

Leaf vacuuming is only conducted during the fall cleanup season.

- ❖ ALL LEAVES MUST BE RAKED/PILED NEAR THE EDGE OF THE ROAD - Highway employees do not enter private property
- ❖ LOOSE LEAVES CAN BE COVERED WITH A TARP TO PREVENT THEM FROM BLOWING BACK INTO THE YARD
- ❖ We try to make a concerted effort to vacuum each street at least twice, however weather emergencies could end collection efforts early with only one pass or collection per street. We recommend packing leaves into paper bags whenever possible.

THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT WILL NOT PICKUP, REMOVE OR VACUUM OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS AT ANY TIME. WE WILL NOT PICK UP ANY BAGS, CONTAINERS OR LEAF PILES WITH UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS MIXED IN. THEY WILL BE LEFT IN PLACE.

NO EXCEPTIONS

- LOOSE OR EMBEDDED MATERIALS SUCH AS NAILS, SCREWS, BOLTS, TINSEL, WIRES, FISHING LINE, ORNAMENTS, OR LIGHTS
- TREATED WOOD, CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS
- "FILL", TREE STUMPS, ROOT BALLS, ROOT SECTIONS
- NON-ORGANIC SUBSTANCES SUCH AS PAINT, PLASTIC, CEMENT, CHEMICALS, ROCKS, TIRES
- APPLIANCES, FURNITURE, HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE
- ANIMAL WASTE AND/OR ANIMAL CARCASS/ROAD KILL

PLEASE BE ADVISED, THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT DOES NOT MAKE APPOINTMENTS OR PERFORM CLEANUP SERVICES ON DEMAND.

HIGHWAY CREWS DO NOT ENTER PRIVATE PROPERTY.

ITEMS THAT ARE LOCATED TOO FAR AWAY FROM THE ROADSIDE WILL BE LEFT IN PLACE.

PLEASE REACH OUT TO THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT WITH ANY QUESTIONS

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