

Lawrence Township Brush Collection

Most Commonly Asked Questions



How large can my yard waste pile be at the curb? Your total pile size can be 12' long, 3' high and 4' from the edge of the curb; please do not obstruct traffic. Any pile exceeding 12' in length will not be collected.

When can I place my brush at the curb for collection? Brush will be collected according to your zone schedule. Do not place brush at the curb until the weekend before your zone collection week. See our website for your zone at www.lawrencetwp.com or call the Public Works Department at (609) 587-1894.

How thick can my tree branches be for collection? Tree trunks and limbs in excess of 6" in diameter will not be collected.

How long should the branches be for collection? Limbs shall be cut in lengths of 3' or less.

Can I place a tree stump in the road for collection? No, tree stumps are the homeowner's responsibility.

Can I place grass in the road for collection? No, grass shall be bagged and placed in your blue cart for collection. Cutting it and leaving it on your lawn is always the best option. Residents may drop off grass clippings at the Ecological Facility (3701 Princeton Pike, Mon-Fri 7:30 a.m. –2:30 p.m.).

Can my landscaper place yard waste at the curb during the week when he is servicing my property? Landscapers shall be registered with Lawrence Township, this will allow them to understand the rules and regulations. Landscapers must follow all the same rules for collection when working for the homeowner. Landscapers can only place yard waste at the curb for collection the Saturday or Sunday before the proper zone collection.

Can my landscaper bring yard waste to the Township's Ecological Facility? YES, it is FREE... Provide your landscaper a note with your address, name, date, phone number, and signature, and your landscaper can drop off your yard waste for NO CHARGE at the Ecological Facility (3701 Princeton Pike, Mon-Fri 7:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.). Your landscaper must be registered and follow the same rules for disposal.

Can my tree landscape contractor remove a tree from my property and place it in the road for disposal? No, your tree service is responsible for disposal. This program is designed for yard waste and trimmings.

Can I place a pile with my neighbor's pile or have a "community pile"? No, place your pile in front of your home for collection. Each resident is entitled to a 12' pile and we need to easily identify which property belongs to the yard waste pile.

If I have a violation, will you come back and collect the material? The crews are working hard to collect the entire zone during the collection week. Unfortunately, we do not have time to go back to the properties that did not conform to the regulations. The yard waste can be dropped off at the Ecological Facility or removed from the curb until the next zone collection for your area.

In the spring, can I place leaves out with my yard waste? Yes, you can place leaves out with your yard waste in the spring. Your total pile size is still required to be no larger than 12' long. Place leaves on one side of the pile, this allows the crew to easily examine what is in the pile for collection. Please note, leaf collection is during the months of November and December.

Can I place dirt in the street from my garden or beds? No, the Township is not allowed to collect soil, stones, concrete, bricks, mulch, diseased firewood or construction debris from the roadway.

Can I place a wooden playground set or wood fencing out at the curb for yard waste collection? No, please follow rules for trash collection for these items.

Why has the program changed? The collection program rules are generally the same. This municipal program is very popular, and the total amount of material has been rising, creating clogged streets in the Township with large amounts of yard waste debris. The changes are designed to preserve the program for years to come and make the streets of Lawrence safe and beautiful. Please DO NOT place yard waste in the street until the weekend before your zone collection.

Please feel free to contact the Lawrence Department of Public Works for assistance at (609) 587-1894.

