



Village of Cambridge

Fall Leaf Pick-up Policy

The Village of Cambridge's Department of Public Works is proud to offer leaf pick-up services to residents in the fall.

To ensure that this service is utilized properly by customers, the following policy has been established:

General Guidelines:

Leaf pick-up is scheduled each year from **Nov. 1st through Nov. 30th** (*Note that the exact start and end dates may change due to inclement weather or as time allows*).

Village of Cambridge residents are encouraged to mow and mulch their leaves into their lawn, as mulched leaf litter is a good addition to improve the health of your lawn.

For those who do not wish to mow/mulch their leaves, the Village will pick up leaves that are raked onto the **terrace**, not the gutter or road. Residents must keep leaves on the terrace (between the sidewalk and curb) to avoid storm water impacts and water quality degradation.

Public Works crews will make as many leaf pick-up rounds of the Village as time allows until the end of November. In addition, the Village will pick up garden waste that is placed at curbside during these rounds.

During scheduled leaf pick-up dates, the Village's compost site will be open Tuesday-Thursday 8AM-2PM and all-day Friday-Saturday, for leaf/brush drop off. The site is closed Sunday-Monday.

Leaf Collection Dos:

- **Do:** Put leaves on the terrace
- **Do:** Separate leaves from compost and brush
- **Do:** Put compost in containers less than 30lbs, or on a tarp
- **Do:** Cut brush into manageable lengths, then pile these lengths parallel to the curb

Leaf Collection Do Nots:

- **Do not:** Put leaves in the road or in the gutter
- **Do not:** Put out grass clippings, dirt, sod or stones
- **Do not:** Mix or hide grass, compost, sod, stones or brush in with leaves
- **Do not:** Place leaves, compost or brush near obstructions (electrical poles, garbage/recycling cans, mailboxes, etc.)

The Village of Cambridge Department of Public Works hopes that this clarifies the fall leaf pickup policy and helps all Village residents to comply so that this service can continue to be provided in a safe and cost-effective manner.