

Fall Leaf Collection

Additional Information



More information at: www.bloomingtonil.gov/solidwaste

Public Works crews typically collect leaves using brush pickup equipment and leaf vacuums in late fall between November 1 and December 31. Fall leaf collection is separate from biweekly leaf, brush, garden trimmings, and \$25-per-loader-bucket bulk pickup. The fall leaf collection schedule will be made available prior to the start of the collection.

Public Works uses an interactive map on the Leaves webpage to update the status of the fall leaf collection as crews progress. If leaves fall in a short time frame or if snow plowing is required, fall leaf collection may be delayed.

The do's and don'ts listed below are additional requirements to improve safety, efficiency, and cost. Any materials placed out for pickup that do not follow these requirements will be picked up, but the customer will be billed for the entire cost of the pickup.

1. During fall leaf collection, please place leaves behind the curb as soon as possible, as crews may start the next collection area earlier than anticipated.
2. Leaves must be placed behind the curb, not in the street, in piles no higher than 3 feet. Leaves may not be placed in containers or biodegradable bags during fall leaf collection.
3. Brush (trees, shrubs, and bushes), garden trimmings (flowers, plants, fruit and vegetable trimmings and pumpkins), and bulk must be in separate piles and separated from leaves. Piles of leaves that include garbage, brush, garden trimmings, bulk or any other type of waste will not be collected.
4. Leaves placed in the street can create a hazard for children who may play in the leaves, cause a traffic crash, or cause sanitary sewer or storm water infrastructure issues, including sewer backups. In addition, covering manholes, water valves, and inlets with leaves or other debris creates a safety hazard for City crews and the public. When raking leaves, make sure that leaves are in the parkway, not in the street, and that manholes, water valves, or inlets are clear. Any issues caused by leaves placed in the street are the liability of the homeowner.



For more information, visit www.bloomingtonil.gov/solidwaste, email publicworks@cityblm.org, or call 309-434-2225 during regular business hours.

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