

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Shelby Township Residents -- Yard Waste Collection Dates April 1st through November 30th

Warmer weather means working outside in the yard, and cleaning up after a long, long winter. This has resulted in a lot of yard waste to dispose of to get your yard ready for good times and outdoor enjoyment.

To ease the process of yard waste disposal, please take a moment to read over the following information.

YARD WASTE DISPOSAL FOR TREE AND WOOD DEBRIS: Twigs, brush and branches should not exceed 1-inch in diameter and should be tied in bundles of not more than 4-feet in length and 18-inches in diameter. Bundling of scrap lumber and like materials should be in the same dimensions.

YARD WASTE CONTAINER DO NOT DISPOSE ITEMS: Note that stones, dirt, plastic containers, landscape timbers, brick, landscape fabric and plastic weed barriers cannot be composted.

YARD WASTE CONTAINER PROPERLY LABELED: If using your green "trash" container for yard waste disposal, BE SURE to clearly label the container as "YARD WASTE". Trash containers NOT properly labeled as Yard Waste WILL NOT be picked up.

YARD WASTE CONTAINER WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS: Please limit the weight of yard waste to approximately 75 pounds. Did you know that a container full of grass can exceed 200 pounds.

PAPER YARD WASTE BAGS: Are acceptable to use for extra yard waste.

PLASTIC BAGS: WILL NOT be accepted for disposal of yard waste.

MULCHING MOWER - LAWN BENEFITS: Instead of collecting all of those grass clippings for disposal, why not let them work for you? Use a mulching mower or mow more often. Short clippings decompose faster and won't smother the lawn. Grass clippings are 90% water and contain nitrogen and other nutrients your lawn needs to stay healthy. Leaving the clippings will reduce your workload and as an added benefit, you can skip one fertilizer application during the season. Remember, thatch is not caused by grass clippings--it is caused by over-watering and over-fertilization.

For additional information, please contact Allied Waste at the Shelby Township toll free number (800) 959-9067.