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MISSION STATEMENT

The Department of Public Works will provide a safe, clean and efficient operation that maintains streets and sewers within the city's right-of-way; provide a refuse and recycling operation; react to resident's inquiries; and respond to all weather-related conditions.

WEEKLY GARBAGE COLLECTION

Holiday Schedule: Garbage will **not** be collected on any of the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. If your collection day falls on or after the above holidays, collection will be delayed by one day.

Garbage & recycling totes should not be placed in the street, buried in or on top of snow banks, and must be accessible to the sanitation crews for pick up.

GARBAGE:

Place in City issued tote. Extra garbage/recycling totes can be purchased at the City Clerk's office for \$50.00/ea. Place tote at curb the **night** before, but not more than 24 hrs. prior to pick-up. Remove tote from curb after emptied. Place animal waste in a sealed bag, and then into your tote.

Non-food waste may be placed in tote or in a clear/translucent bag outside of tote. **NO BLACK CONTRACTOR BAGS.**

Do not put hot ashes in your tote. Please put "dusty materials" in a sealed bag before placing in your tote.

Keep the safety of the sanitation workers in mind when disposing of your waste material.

GRASS

Grass clippings must be placed in a clear / translucent bag outside of your garbage tote with a city grass sticker. Stickers may be purchased at the City Clerk's Office for \$0.75/ea. Stickers are sold in sheets of 5 or 10 only and are valid from year to year.

Bags must not exceed 50 lbs.

FALL LEAF COLLECTION *****[Columbus Day to the 1st heavy snowfall]*****

Rake leaves out into the street the same day your garbage is picked up.

They will be picked up the day following your normal garbage collection day.

The City will pick up leaves in the street **ONLY between Columbus Day and the 1st heavy snowfall.** If you have leaves before Columbus Day or after the 1st heavy snowfall, **DO NOT PLACE IN THE STREET.** They must be placed in your garbage tote.

BRUSH

Picked up on normal collection day, or as soon as possible from your garbage day.

Separate brush / limbs into piles with butts in the same direction, not to exceed 6" in diameter and 6 ft. in length.

Place stumps and large diameter limbs at least 2 ft. from bulk trash.

Keep brush way from hydrants, trees, poles, vent pipes and shut offs.

BULK TRASH [Weekly Pick Up]

Furniture, appliances and metal items must be kept in separate piles.

Refrigerator doors must be removed. Freon must be removed and tagged by a certified vendor.

Hot water tanks must have a permit – call Plumbing Inspector.

Carpeting in excess of 4 ft. must be rolled, not to exceed 8 feet.

Windows and mirrors – do not break – prop up for visibility.

There is no bulk trash pick-up for commercial property.

Keep trash away from hydrants, trees, poles, vent pipes and shut offs.

Limited to quantities of four (4) cubic yards (3'x3'x12') per property, with a maximum of two pick-ups per month.

CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS

Debris from contracted work or work requiring a building permit will not be disposed of by the City.

Check with the Building Inspector to verify that a demolition or building permit is not needed.

If OK'd by the Building Inspector, then debris may be placed neatly at the curb and must not exceed

4 cubic yards (see Bulk Trash)

Cement – The City will pick up small amounts of patio or sidewalk chunks. The City will **not** pick up blacktop or approaches.

Small loose items such as roofing or plaster must be in containers before being placed at the curb.

Nails must be removed or bent over (for safety purposes).

Keep construction debris away from hydrants, trees, poles, vent pipes and shut offs

TIRES – Residents Only

Tires are not collected at curbside. Residents *only* may drop them off at the DPW building located at 150 Fillmore Avenue

(Mon. – Fri.), between 7:30am – 2:30 pm. for a fee.

Auto tire without rim is \$1.00 fee, truck tire without rim is \$5.00, with rim \$10.00. Tire(s) in excess of 22" is not accepted.

HAZARDOUS WASTE

The City does not accept hazardous waste products [oil paints & thinners, car batteries, pesticides, motor oil, antifreeze, etc.]. There is a Hazardous Waste Site in Tonawanda, Hazman - 177 Wales Ave., Tel. (716) 998-8073.

There is a cost for drop-off. Call ahead for an appointment and you may qualify for a free drop off up to 50lbs.

MOTOR OIL

Not collected by the City. Take to Hazman (177 Wales Ave. 716-998-8073) or place of purchase.

LATEX PAINT

Must be completely dry. Place on the **ground** next to garbage tote with lid OFF (set next to can).