



Get wise about leaf litter. Consider your options.

1. Mulch leaves in place with your lawn mower to put valuable nutrients back into your soil.
2. Gather leaves and other "yard waste" into a compost pile, let overwinter and decompose, and then use as fertilizer next growing season.
3. Offer your leaves to a neighbor who may be able to use them for composting.
4. Check in with your city or town hall to find out how to properly dispose of leaves locally.

(Some local resources are listed on reverse side.)



Did you know?

The combination of rainfall with leaves on our driveways, sidewalks, streets, and parking lots can produce stormflows into local rivers, streams, and lakes that are loaded with nutrients. Proper use or disposal of leaves will help to avoid these contaminated flows.

Connecticut River Stormwater Committee



Resources for Fall Leaf Disposal in Your Community

Agawam: Two options: residential curbside collection 4 times in the fall based on route schedule; or drop off at Bondi's Island Landfill off Route 5 (open Mon. through Fri. 8 to 3:15; Sat. 7 to noon). More information: <http://agawam.ma.us/292/Leaf-Yard-Waste>

Belchertown: Transfer Station & Recycling Center, 135 Hamilton St. Open Tues., Wed., Fri. & Sat. 7:30 to 3:15; Thurs. 7:30 to 5:15. More information: 413-323-0416

Chicopee: Leaves can be dropped at: Chicopee Sanitary Landfill, 161 New Lombard Rd.; Tues. to Fri. 7 to 4; Sat. 7 to noon. No fee, but pre-registration required. More information: 413-594-3557.

East Longmeadow: Transfer Station, 170 Somers Rd., Sat. 9 to 5 year-round. Wed. 9 to 5 seasonally (to be announced). Do not mix leaves with brush. More information: <https://www.eastlongmeadowma.gov/198/Transfer-Station>

Easthampton: Brush Dump located end of Oliver St. Open every Sat., Oct. through Nov., 8 to noon. Purchase of sticker required from DPW office, 50 Payson Ave. More information: <https://www.easthampton.org/services/trash-recycling.html>

Granby: For information: <https://www.granby-ma.gov/landfill-department/pages/yard-waste-days>

Hadley: For information: (413) 584-1590

Holyoke: Holyoke Yard Waste Facility, 1 Berkshire St. Open to Holyoke residents only and hours vary by season. More information: <https://www.holyoke.org/yard-waste/>

Longmeadow: Seasonal leaf dump site at the Meadows on West Rd. Open 7 days a week from 8 to 5, beginning Oct. 22 through Dec. 9. More information: 413-567-3400.

Ludlow: For information: <http://www.ludlow.ma.us/html/dpw/trash.htm>

Northampton: Annual transfer station sticker required to access City's two leaf waste collection sites, both located off Glendale Rd. Leaves only accepted loose or in paper leaf bags. More information: <http://northamptonma.gov/1821/Yard-Waste>

Palmer: Compost collection area open weekends 9 to 5, starting Oct. 13-14 and ending Nov. 24-25. Leaves must be in brown paper bags. More information: 413-283-2615.

South Hadley: South Hadley DPW, 10 Industrial Dr., open Wed. and Sat. 8 to 3. More information: 413-538-5033.

Southampton: For information: <https://townofsouthampton.org/administration/services/tansfer-station-01/>

Southwick: Transfer Station, 22 Industrial Dr. Open Tues. 11:30 to 7:20, Wed. & Fri. 8 to 4:20, and Saturday 8 to 3:50. More information: 413-569-6772.

Springfield: Two options: residential curbside pick up on alternating weeks (same day as recycling) through December (place leaves loosely in barrel or in paper 30 gallon leaf bag; or Bondi's Island drop-off Mon. through Fri. 7:30 to 3:15, and Sat. 7 to noon. More information: 413-787-7840.

West Springfield: Drop off at 138 Palmer Ave., Mon. through Fri. 7 to 3:30 and Sat. 7 to 1. or curbside collection on 4 occasions this season. Must be in brown paper bags or loose in barrels. More information, contact Republic Services: (413) 557-6700.

Westfield: Transfer Station, 57 Twiss St., Mon-Sat 7-2:45. Must be loose or in paper leaf bags. More information: 413-572-6226.

Wilbraham: Disposal/Recycling Center, 2720 Boston Rd. Open to permit holders Wed. 7 to 3; Fri. 7 to 3; Sat. 7 to 5; Sun. 12 to 5. More information: 413-596-2800 x208.