



CURBSIDE LEAF COLLECTION FAQs

Why does fall curbside leaf collection take place only in November?

We chose Nov. 6-24 because that's when falling leaves are at their heaviest, enabling us to provide efficient, effective service and be good stewards of public dollars.

Do I need to tag yard waste during the pickup period?

No. Yard waste tags are not required Nov. 6 through the end of pickup season, which is the week of Dec. 11. Yard waste – including additional leaves after Nov. 24 – can be bagged and placed to the curb during your regular collection day without the yard waste tag.

When will leaf collection take place in my neighborhood?

We will provide updates on the crews' progress through the city on our website and social media each week. Please note: The service schedule may be impacted by weather conditions and leaf volumes.

What am I allowed to rake to the curb for pickup?

You may rake only leaves to the curb. Branches, yard debris and natural fall decorations such as pumpkins, gourds, corn stalks, hay bales, etc. need to be properly bagged following the yard waste guidelines below.

What is the last day I can rake leaves to the curb?

All leaves must be raked to the curb by Nov. 24.

What do I do with leaves after Nov. 24?

After Public Works crews make their final pass through the city on or after Nov. 24, any additional leaves must be bagged and placed on the curb during your regular collection day. You won't need to tag the bags.



Am I allowed to burn leaves?

No. City ordinance prohibits outdoor burning on public or private property within city limits. It is illegal to burn leaves, garbage, rubbish, refuse, trees, stumps and tires in Berkley. If you notice any outdoor burning within city limits, please contact Public Safety at (248) 658-3380.

When should I avoid parking along the curb?

During the curbside leaf collection period of Nov. 6-24, residents are encouraged to avoid parking along the curb as much as possible 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. weekdays.

Will the City pick up holiday trees this year?

No. The City will not pick up holiday trees this year. We are looking into the best options for residents to discard holiday trees and will provide an update soon.