



SW&R Newsletter



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Yard Waste season is here...

A few things to remember...

- All Yard Waste (biodegradable items) , including: grass, leaves and small brush are banned by MA DEP, from the trash [310 CMR 19.017].
- All Yard Waste must be separated from the regular trash.
- Place in paper 'lawn & leaf' bag
or
- Loose in a Barrel marked with orange "Yard Waste" sticker.



[stickers are available for FREE
At DPW or Recycling Office]

- Do NOT use Plastic trash bags.
- Collected same day as trash.
- Do not place at curb prior to 7 PM night before 'trash day'.
- Brush bundles must be shorter than three feet long with no item bigger than 3 inches.
- The City is not responsible for collecting bags which are torn, overloaded, not secured or are otherwise damaged.

Collection Ends

Friday, Dec. 2nd

Curbside Customer?

Need a recycling bin?

Pick one up;

Mon - Fri 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM:

- City Hall, 375 Merrimack St, Rm 34 or
- DPW, 1365 Middlesex St.



Trash Carts with
OPEN lids will
not be emptied!

All extra trash must be in purple bags



F A L L 2011 Holiday Schedule

Monday, October 10

Columbus Day

City Hall closed

Friday, November 11

Veteran's Day

City Hall closed

Thursday, Nov. 24

Thanksgiving Day

City Hall closed

Christmas Day

Sunday, Dec. 25

No Schedule change

Whenever a scheduled collection day falls on a holiday, that day's collection and all remaining collections for the week will be delayed one day. Friday's collection will be on Saturday.

Solid Waste & Recycling Office, DPW,

Health Department
341 Pine Street
Lowell MA 01851

Phone: 978-446-7277
Email: recycle@lowellma.gov



Rethink Recycling... It's easier than ever!

www.lowellrecycle.org

Interested in getting involved?
We need people just like you!



The City Manager's Solid Waste & Recycling Advisory Committee (SW&R AC) meets monthly; meetings are open to the public.

Now forming a **Resource Recovery (Recycling drop-off) Center** Exploratory Committee, join us at a Neighborhood meeting near you.

Also... we need assistance planning the 2012 Lowell **ZERO WASTE DAY!!**

If you are interested in either, drop us an email!

For 'MISSED' trash, recycling or yard waste collection; contact Allied Waste; at 978-649-7564 or use the online form at www.LowellRecycle.org



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重要！請立刻將本通知翻譯成中文。

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Προσοχή! Δώστε να σας μεταφράσουν αμέσως αυτή την ανακοίνωση.

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- [Laotian]
- [Armenian]
- [Greek]
- [Cambodian]



What's in your trash?

The U.S. EPA reports that 4.8% is glass, 8.6% is metals and 12.3% is plastics, that means that 25 percent should be in your "**Bottles & Cans**" recycling barrel. 28.2% is "**Paper**" which should be in your green recycling bin. An additional 13.7 % is comprised of "**Yard Waste**"; that does not include the 14.1% Food Waste (also compostable). All told, 82% of your trash is recyclable... currently Lowell diverts only 25%. Increasing our rate by **5% saves \$100K!**

Looking Ahead...

Christmas Tree disposal
The City does not collect Christmas Trees curbside.

-Plan on bringing them to one of the designated drop-off locations.

-9 Parks will be open for tree drop-off through Jan. 15, 2012. (see website)

Join the SW&R Office e-mail list

- 1,525 residents currently receive regular updates:
- Yard Waste Season; beginning/ending dates
 - Holiday trash day schedule
 - Christmas Tree drop-off locations and dates
 - Availability of Compost Bins / Rain barrels
 - Quarterly Newsletters, Annual Flyer etc.
 - Household Hazardous Waste Day details
 - Earth Day & America Recycles Day info and much more;

visit: www.egovlink.com/lowell

Select: 'Subscriptions' then 'DPW- SW&R News'



Get your sticker today!



Search: **Lowell Recycle**

Attention Landlords:

You are urged to distribute copies of this Newsletter to your tenants; a PDF of this document is available at:

www.LowellRecycle.org
email or call the SW&R Office with questions.