

Lehigh Township Spring Leaf Collection

The Lehigh Township Public Works Department will conduct its spring curbside leaf collection program during the week of April 1. **Leaves must be placed at the road by April 1.** The Maintenance Department will be making a **onetime** pass on each Township Road beginning on April 1. Leaves shall be free of sticks or other materials and raked to the shoulder of the road for collection. Leaves shall be kept off of the roadways, shall not be placed near obstacles such as rocks, telephone poles, mailboxes, and trees. Please do not park vehicles in front of or on top of the piles of leaves. The Public Works Department has the right to refuse collection if there is inappropriate material mixed in the leaves.

In addition to the collection of leaves, the Maintenance Department will also be doing a curbside collection of brush during the week of April 1. **Brush must be kept separate from leaf material.** Brush shall be cut in lengths not to exceed 3 feet and bundled in a manner that will not exceed 15 pounds.

Residents are also welcome to bring leaves and brush to the yard waste recycling area located across from the Maintenance Department Building. **Please: brush, leaves, and yard waste only.** Foreign objects that get caught in the grinder can cost thousands of dollars in repairs. Keep brush to lengths of no more than 6 feet and 8 inches in diameter. Stumps are not permitted. **Ornamental grass, straw and hay are not acceptable items for the yard waste site.**

What does the Township do with all the leaves and brush?

The materials that are collected by the Public Works Department along with the material dropped off at the yard waste site are transported to the First Regional Compost Authority on Weaversville Road. At that site, the leaves are made into compost and the brush is made into double ground mulch. Both products are then returned to the Township yard waste site and made available to the residents without charge. Residents may also pick up this material along with single ground mulch at the First Regional Compost Authority. Remember, the better the material going into the product, the better the product is that is returned to the residents.

Mandatory Recycling

Residents are reminded that Lehigh Township is a mandated recycling community. Paper, newsprint, aluminum, steel, plastics, and glass must be recycled.