



Press Release

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2021 Fall Leaf Collection Information

MT. PLEASANT, Mich. - As the temperatures cool, and the trees start to show their vibrant colors, **residents and landscaping companies are reminded to not rake leaves into the streets until the week of October 25.** City staff will make one sweep through the entire City during pick up weeks. Therefore, leaves should be raked into low piles before Monday of pick up weeks and not cover catch basins.

On High and Pickard Streets, where high traffic volume prohibits leaves in the gutter; residents and landscaping companies should rake the leaves onto the rights-of-way, between the curb and sidewalk. Those who live on streets other than High and Pickard must place their leaves in the street. If you live on a boulevard, do not place leaves in the median, place them in front of your home.

Yard waste bags should not be used; this collection is for leaves only. Leaf piles must not contain garden or shrubbery clippings, dead grass, branches, trim board or other material.

Residents who wish to rake their yards ahead of the City's collection schedule may bag and dispose of the leaves for a fee at the Material Recovery Facility, located at 4208 E. River Rd., Mt. Pleasant. Leaves may also be mulched with a mulching lawnmower.

The City's 2021 leaf collection schedule is as follows:

- Week of October 25: Staff will collect leaves in a City-wide sweep.
- Week of November 8: Staff will collect leaves in a City-wide sweep.
- November 22: Final collection of leaves in a City-wide sweep. Any leaves left in the street after the crews have made their final pass will not be collected and are the responsibility of the homeowner.

Questions may be directed to the Division of Public Works, 989-779-5401.

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