



NEWS RELEASE

CITY OF FAIRFIELD

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Fairfield's annual leaf collection is scheduled to begin Monday, November 2, 2009. This program provides free leaf collection services to residents who place leaves in rows or piles between the curb and sidewalk or adjacent to the street in areas not having curb and sidewalk. Please do not place leaves in the curb & gutter or street. Due to new storm water quality requirements necessitated by the Phase 2 Storm Water Quality Program mandated by the Federal Government, leaves can no longer be placed in the street. This will prevent contamination to storm water runoff which can pollute streams or the aquifer which supplies our drinking water.

Residents are advised to **NOT** place leaves in the street, as gutters and storm sewers can become blocked and cause localized flooding during moderate to heavy rainfall. Please help make the collection program run as smoothly as possible by raking your leaves between the curb and sidewalk, or in areas without curb, adjacent to the street. Also, please **do not park in front of or near the piles** between the hours of 7:00am and 8:00pm as the trucks/equipment cannot reach them, those piles will be left until the next scheduled collection week. Do not place grass clippings, sticks, limbs or brush in with your leaves. These items can clog and damage our equipment and could injure workers.

Crews will collect leaves on the following proposed schedule:

STREETS WEST OF PLEASANT AVENUE:

November 2 thru November 6
November 23 thru November 27
December 14 thru December 18

STREETS BETWEEN PLEASANT AVENUE AND WINTON ROAD:

November 9 thru November 13
November 31 thru December 4
December 21 thru December 25

STREETS EAST OF WINTON ROAD:

November 16 thru November 20
December 9 thru December 11
December 28 thru January 1, 2010

Due to the large volume of leaves, crews may run a little bit behind schedule from time to time, but please have leaves raked to the curbside by the posted dates.

Additional information will be provided with residents' utility bills, on channel 18, and on the City Website.

Residents who have a small amount of leaves, or who do not wish to participate in the program, may find it more convenient to bag their leaves and place them curbside for pick-up on the regular trash collection day.

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