

BOROUGH OF ESSEX FELLS

October, 2018

To The Residents of Essex Fells:

It's that time of year again, when the leaves change color and, unfortunately, fall to the ground. As always, we are requesting your cooperation. **Please read the new leaf clean up guidelines.**

Leaf Season will commence on **Monday, October 15th**. Please be aware that no leaves are to be put out prior to this date. The Borough will **conclude** Leaf Pick-up on **Monday, November 19th**, weather permitting. *Any leaves put out after this date will not be picked up, and may result in a summons.*

**** Please Note:** All homeowners are responsible for **advising their landscapers of these requirements and procedures**. Violators may be subject to a summons. Due to the hilly terrain and winding roads of Essex Fells, large landscaping trucks and trailers parked in the street can be hazardous to approaching motorists. If possible, *please allow landscapers to park their vehicles in your driveway*. If this is not feasible, ask that they park close to the curb line. Warning cones should be placed in front and/or behind these vehicles if they cannot be seen clearly from a distance of 200 feet in either direction. These measures should improve safety for all.

Leaves must be placed no more than three (3) feet on either side of the curb line and not piled more than three (3) feet high. This will enable us to more easily reach the leaves with our equipment. In addition, it will help to eliminate large piles of leaves in the street that can restrict traffic flow and cause a hazard. **DO NOT PILE LEAVES WITHIN 10 FEET OF CATCH BASINS OR FIRE HYDRANTS AND WITHIN 20 FEET OF ANY INTERSECTION.**

IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT LARGE STONES, STICKS AND OTHER SOLID MATERIALS BE KEPT OUT OF THE LEAF PILES because these foreign objects will **damage our equipment** and result in the equipment being out of service for repairs. Please be advised that if this mixture occurs the leaves will not be picked up by the borough and will be left in front of your home.

BRANCHES: All branches should be *tyed in bundles* no more than 4 to 5 feet long, 3 to 4 inches in thickness and weighing no more than 50 pounds. Any twigs should be placed in containers at the curb. Please contact the **Department of Public Works at 973-226-3400** to **NOTIFY THEM OF BUNDLED BRANCHES OR TWIGS THAT HAVE BEEN PLACED IN CONTAINERS THAT NEED TO BE PICKED UP.** Please note that you only need to call the DPW for pick-up of Branches and Twigs, not leaves.

Please be sure to place all debris in front of your own home and not on a neighbor's property. This is a violation of our litter ordinance and may subject you to a summons. The assistance of all residents will be helpful and is greatly appreciated.

The Mayor and Council
Borough of Essex Fells

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