

ATTENTION
ALL CLIFTON CITIZENS
EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY
LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM

In order to comply with the State of New Jersey's "new-mandated" storm water regulation requirements the City of Clifton has instituted the following rules for the collection of leaves to comply with this law:

- 1) All property owners (residential, commercial, and institutional) **cannot** rake any leaves into the street.
- 2) All property owners who rake leaves must place this material in biodegradable **paper bags** or in open containers (not to exceed 35 gallons). Leaves **must be** placed at the curb (after 6:00pm) the night before your pick-up day.
- 3) Leaves in biodegradable **paper bags** or containers will be collected, once a week, the same day as your vegetative waste pickup. Collection will continue throughout the month of December.

Collection Dates Are As Follows:
(See Recycling Guide for Section Numbers)

<u>Day of the Week</u>	<u>Sections</u>
Tuesday	Sections 5, 7, 8, 10
Wednesday	Sections 3, 9, 11, 13
Thursday	Sections 12, 14, 15
Friday	Sections 1, 2, 4

- 4) Biodegradable paper bags are available at many garden centers throughout the city.
- 5) All landscapers, are **required**, and have been advised, that they must remove all leaves from their customers and dispose of leaves at the public works yard.
- 6) **Any property owner and/or Landscaper that does not comply with the new regulations shall be subject to a violation not to exceed \$1,250.**

**LEAVES WILL NOT BE COLLECTED
IN THE STREET OR IN PLASTIC BAGS!**

For Further Information
Please Call 973-470-2239

Leaf Composting and Mulching for Environmental Sustainability

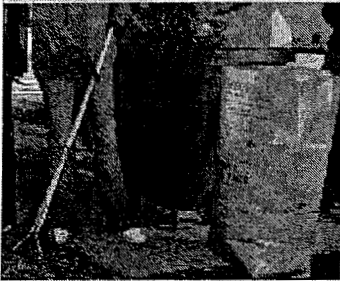
Leaves collected by the City of Clifton, are composted, and provide a valuable natural resource that can be used in gardens, shrubs and lawns as a fertilizer and soil conditioner.

Leaf mulching is another sustainable method for managing leaves. As the leaf mulch decays it provides the existing plants and soil with nutrients. Leaf mulch protects the roots of young trees and shrubs from frost and reduces evaporation from the soil surface. Mulch inhibits weed growth, regulates soil temperatures, keeps soils from eroding and prevents soil compaction.

By composting or mulching leaves, citizens participate in environmental sustainability by utilizing our dependency on local natural resources.



Leaf Bags can be purchased at the following locations:



**Clifton DPW: 307 East 7th Street
973-470-2239**

Monday-Friday – 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Clifton Recycling Center: City Hall
900 Clifton Ave. - Recycle Rd.
Monday-Friday – 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

**City Clerk's Office: City Hall
900 Clifton Ave -973-470-5824
Monday only - 4:30 p.m. –7:30 p.m.**

**Fire House # 4
144 Main Ave. 973-470-2224
Saturday only – 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**

**Bags cost \$1.50 per five bags.
Residents must have exact
change, and we recommend that
you purchase 20 bags for \$6.00.**

City of Clifton
Department of Public Works
307 East 7th Street
Clifton, New Jersey 07013



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IMPORTANT LEAF COLLECTION NOTICE



*Preserving Resources
Preventing Waste*