



## Village of Hebron Fall Leaves

### Option 1: MULCHING

Leaves can provide nutrients for your lawn by being mulched into the soil. A mulching lawn mower blade will shred the leaves allowing them to fall into the grass, decompose and be ready to feed your lawn next year. Why bother to rake and bag when you can take care of your leaves when you do that final mowing of the season? And, you can skip the fertilizer in the spring too! Flower beds like leaves too. The leaves provide winter mulch to protect the plants and enrich soil in the spring.

**It is illegal to burn leaves within village limits!**

### Option 2: Composting

Too many leaves to mulch? Then home composting may be the way to go. In composting, microbes, fungus, and insects use the plant material as a food source, breaking down the plant tissue and leaving a rich loam. The ideal compost pile is somewhere between 3x3x3 and 5x5x5. This allows the pile to retain heat and air flow. Simple compost bins can be constructed of snow fence, chicken wire or concrete blocks. Most home improvement stores carry plastic bins designed for home use. For more information on home composting, contact the Ohio State Cooperative Extension Service.

**Village of Hebron Codified Ordinance 521.12: Stream and water nuisances prohibited : Raking leaves into the gutter blocks inlets and storm sewers causing flooding and more....**



**From the gutter, leaves enter the storm sewers and then the streams, reducing oxygen levels and causing sediment and excess nutrients that degrade water quality.**





### Option 3: Bagged Leaf Collection

If you just have too many leaves or prefer to bag your leaves, then this option is for you. Leaves may be bagged in brown paper bags and placed next to your trash on your regular trash collection day. Bags will be picked up year around.

**YARD WASTE** - The Refuse Contractor shall provide for unlimited collection of yard waste. Yard waste may consist of grass clippings, brush, shrub cuttings, leaves, tree limbs, garden growth and other natural materials. Yard waste shall be bagged or cut into 4-foot lengths, tied and bundled.



**Should yard waste be banned from landfills, the Refuse Contractor shall make necessary arrangements to fulfill the request as outlined in this contract for its duration.**

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