

YARD WASTE

HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS:

St. Cloud uses a volume-based yard waste collection system. All yard waste collected by the City is composted. Residents are required to buy specially marked 'City' bags for yard waste. Yard waste bags are clear plastic with the City logo imprinted on them.

The cost for yard waste service is \$1.25 per City refuse bag (sold in quantities of 10; cost is \$12.50 per package). Bags are 30 gallons in capacity. No bags other than specially marked 'City' bags will be picked up.

USING YOUR REFUSE BAG:

- Simply fill and tie. **Do not exceed 50 pounds.** Bags over this limit will not be picked up.
- Place bags as near to the alley as possible, or on the **right** hand side of your driveway if you do not have an alley, **no later than 6:00 a.m. on Mondays between mid-April and mid-November.**
- There is no limit to the number of bags you can place out for collection.
- Keep yard waste completely separate from other refuse. Yard waste cannot be deposited in a landfill.
- Yard waste includes grass clippings, leaves, pinecones and pine needles, pumpkins, acorns, apples, dirt and sod.
- **Contaminated yard waste will not be picked up**

The following items **may not** be placed in bags for collections:

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| ▪ All brush | ▪ Shrubs | ▪ Christmas trees |
| ▪ Branches | ▪ Tree stumps | ▪ Cornstalks |
| ▪ Bushes | ▪ Firewood | ▪ Any woody or vine-type plants |

SELF-HAUL YARD WASTE DISPOSAL:

City Compost Site:

City residents who subscribe to City refuse collection service are eligible to use the City's self-haul compost site located at River Bluffs Regional Park area on 33rd St S.

A compost site permit must be purchased at City Hall during regular business hours. Permit applications are also available online at www.ci.stcloud.mn.us.

Only clean yard waste, brush and tree waste free of soil, dirt, metal and concrete will be accepted. Residents may remove compost or wood chips from the site if available.

Henkemeyer Landfill:

Residents may haul their yard waste and brush directly to Henkemeyer Demolition Landfill, located at 6045 Lark Rd NW, Sauk Rapids. **There is a fee for this service.**

For cost information, location and hours of operation, call Henkemeyer Demolition Landfill at (320) 252-6487.

SPECIAL YARD WASTE COLLECTION:

Special yard waste collection service is available on Mondays during the yard waste season. To arrange for a special pickup of brush, tree branches, shrubs, bushes, cornstalks or wood and vine-type plants, call (320) 650-2900.

Brush and tree branches or cornstalks and woody or vine-type plants must be securely tied with twine or heavy string (no duct tape) in bundles no larger than 4 foot by 1 foot in diameter. If you have 5 or fewer bundles, you may set them out for a Monday pickup at no cost. If you have 6 or more bundles, call Public Works to schedule a special pickup. **There is a fee for this service.**

CITY ORDINANCES:

The City of St. Cloud yard waste ordinance regulates the proper disposal of yard waste within the City. The City ordinance can be found at www.ci.stcloud.mn.us.

WHO TO CALL:

For additional information regarding yard waste within the City or other areas of concern, call the Public Works Department at (320) 650-2900.

St. Cloud has developed a series of "good neighbor notes" that are designed to help explain the rules relating to a wide range of issues that affect residential neighborhoods. Each "note" addresses one topic, explaining in plain language what the laws and policies really mean. If you feel there is a topic of concern within your neighborhood not covered by the "good neighbor notes," contact the St. Cloud Planning Department at (320) 255-7218 or jim.flaen@ci.stcloud.mn.us for more information.

