

## **Village of Rosendale Yard Waste and Brush Collection Policy**

### **Purpose:**

To provide the most cost effective yard waste and brush collection services to the residents of the Village of Rosendale, to provide safety for all municipal employees, and to provide collection guidelines and necessary provisions to enforce this policy.

### **Collection Schedule**

The Village of Rosendale will collect brush and tree trimmings at the curb on a weekly schedule beginning the first Monday in April and every week thereafter, ending November 31 of each year. The Village reserves the right to modify the collection schedule as deemed necessary.

### **Accepted Materials**

- Brush and tree trimmings; generally described as limbs or branches 4 inches in diameter or less, pruned or cut from bushes, shrubs and trees.
- Construction lumber free of nails bolts and paint, measuring no more than 6 inches wide and 8 feet in length.
- Christmas trees.

### **Unaccepted Material**

- Yard waste including but not limited to grass clippings, leaf piles, flowers, and garden plants.
- Brush and tree trimmings not properly prepared.
- Any mature trees cut down by property owners exceeding six (6) inches in diameter. This includes all branches and main trunk. Residents must hire their own contractor for removal of the entire tree from their property.
- Pressure treated lumber.
- Root balls containing top soil

### **Material Preparation**

- Brush and tree trimmings must be placed in neat smaller piles.
- Brush and tree trimmings must be placed with the cut or pruned ends facing the street.
- Tree limbs should remain as long as possible without impeding pedestrian or vehicle traffic.
- It is recommended that pruning and tree trimming be done over several months to comply with the above provisions.

### **Fees and Enforcement**

- Village personnel have the right to reject any materials that are not properly prepared for collection or do not meet the acceptable material criteria as listed above.
- Average collection time per household shall not exceed 10 minutes. A service fee of \$25.00 will be charged to residents placing unusually large amounts of brush at the curb for collection exceeding the 10-minute time limit.
- Village personnel shall document address of resident in violation and report to Public Works Director, who will make a final determination of violation and related service fees.

### **Yard Waste**

- The Village will not collect yard waste at the curb. All yard waste material shall be disposed of at the compost drop-off site located at 402 North Main Street.
- All materials must be placed within the provided concrete bunker area. Residents must remove all containers used to transport these items to the site.
- Brush, tree trimmings, and trash shall not be disposed of at the drop-off site. All persons that dispose of unacceptable materials shall be charged a minimum fee of \$25.00 or fined per Village Ordinance.

*Village of Rosendale reserves the right to amend this policy as needed and shall notify residents of such amendments.*