

## Leaf Season 2015

Leaf season is nearly upon us. The Town will begin the first round of leaf pickup approximately the second week of November. This year we will begin in **Area 2**, the northwest quadrant of town, and work in a clockwise direction. Signs will be posted that state "Leaf pickup in this area next". The signs are posted approximately one week prior to being in your area. Please place loose leaves at the curbside before your area is scheduled for the next pick-up to ensure they are not missed. A map of the pickup areas will be posted on the Town's web site.

Each area takes approximately two weeks to complete. However, issues such as weather, equipment problems, and labor force may prolong pickup times. You may see leaf trucks out in various locations over the next few weeks. This will be training for new employees. The crews collecting leaves are the same crews that are responsible for maintaining the Town rights-of-way. The faster we can get the leaves collected, the sooner these crews can return to their normal duties. ***Brush pick up will be kept at a minimum during leaf season.***

Please consider backyard composting and mulching as it is great for the lawn and the environment.

Loose leaves should be placed at the curb in a pile, separate from brush and other yard waste. (This could damage the leaf machine.) All leaves must be away from utility poles, mailboxes, or other structures. Leaves must not block drainage ditches or curbside drainage catch basins. This violates Stormwater Regulations.

For safety reasons, **leaves must not hinder traffic nor block travel lanes.** Also, if you live at an intersection, keep leaves away from the intersecting street. Wet or frozen leaves are slick and can make it difficult to stop.

Please call the Public Works Department at 423-886-2177 (option 2) for questions and comments.