

# City of Owosso's Spring & Summer Yard Clean Up Guide

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## ***Grass and Noxious Weeds Cutting Requirements***

No persons occupying any premises, or any person owning any unoccupied premises, shall permit or maintain on any such premises:

- 1) Growth of noxious weeds
- 2) Growth of grass or other rank vegetation to a height greater than eight (8) inches; or
- 3) Any accumulation of dead weeds, grass or brush.

Cutting and removal of grass and weeds is to be done at least once before **May 15** each year and thereafter as often as may be necessary to comply with the above provisions. Failure to comply will result in action by the City to remove the weeds, grass or brush. *Department costs, plus a \$100.00 minimum administration fee, will be charged to the occupant and/or owner.*

## ***Curbside Brush Pickup Program***

Pickup begins the last Wednesday of each month, March through October. Brush is described as tree and shrubbery trimmings only.

DPW crews will cover the entire city, moving along as brush volumes permit, and record each street as it is completed. No return trips will be permitted once DPW crews have completed the monthly brush pickup on the street.

Brush will be removed at the curb, on or as close to, the brush pickup day as possible. It may take several days for brush to be picked up in the entire city.

Branch dimensions shall be no larger than 3" thick by 8' long and must be out at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on pickup day, but no sooner than Sunday evening of pickup week.

## ***Leaf and Brush Drop Off Site***

The City Leaf/Brush Drop Off site is located on Aiken Road, south of Industrial Drive.

City Drop Off Site will be open every Saturday beginning the first Saturday in April from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. until the end of the leaf season (usually the first Saturday in December).

For Saturday Drop Offs, the City will accept branches up to 3" in diameter and unbagged leaves. The branches must be separate from the bulk leaves. Grass clippings are accepted. No plastic, refuse or debris will be accepted.

**\*\*This service is for city residents only. Proof of residency must be provided.**

Call 989-725-0550 for more information or visit our website at [www.ci.owosso.mi.us](http://www.ci.owosso.mi.us).

## ***Storage of Junk, Trash, Litter and Debris***

Properties must be kept free of junk, trash, litter, refuse, rubbish and debris. This includes paper, cardboard, building materials, wood, blocks, filled garbage bags, broken toys and equipment, tree branches, yard clippings, machinery parts, household furniture, appliances, inoperable, dismantled or unlicensed automobiles, trailers or recreational vehicles and parts, etc. Any storage of these materials on your property must be within a completely enclosed storage building. These materials cannot be placed under a tarp in the yard, on an open porch, left at the curbside or be piled against the side of the garage or house.

If you have curbside refuse pick up service, the refuse must be in approved containers and cannot be placed at the curb until 4:00 PM the day before pick up. The container must be removed from the curbside by midnight on pick up day.

Go to the city's website under Forms & Documents at [www.ci.owosso.mi.us](http://www.ci.owosso.mi.us), then Code of Ordinances, for related details.