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MUSCATINE FALL LEAF PICKUP SCHEDULE IS RELEASED

Compost site will remain open through the fall season

MUSCATINE, Iowa – Leaves will begin to fall in earnest later this month with the Department of Public Works releasing the 2019 Fall Leaf Pickup schedule. Leaf vacuum trucks will hit the streets of Muscatine starting on Monday, Oct. 14, in Zone 8 ([see map](#)). There are eight zones that the leaf trucks will work through on consecutive weekdays.

The second pass begins on Oct. 25 with leaf collection concluding with a final pass, weather permitting and if needed, starting on Dec. 5.

Leaf trucks may be working in zones prior to pick up day but will return on (or after) the scheduled date as needed. Residents are asked to have leaves raked out next to curb by 7 a.m. on the day of leaf pickup and to avoid parking on the street on collection day. Leaf piles blocked by cars will not be collected until the cars are moved.

Residents are also asked not to mix trash, branches, or other yard waste with their leaf piles.

As we move further into fall, the possibility of inclement weather increases. Leaf collection operations may be postponed as snow and ice control take priority.

The Compost Site at the Transfer Station will remain open throughout the fall season, weather permitting. The Compost Site will be open from 12-6 p.m. Sunday through Friday and from 9 a.m-6 p.m. on Saturdays.

Here are some additional guidelines for leaf collection:

- Leaves should be placed near, but not beyond, the curb and should be within reach of the leaf vacuum.
- Leaves should be free of tree branches and twig as they can cause the leaf vacuums to clog up.
- All leaves must be placed outside of fenced areas.
- Leaves are not to be placed in the street to avoid clogging storm drains.
- Leaves should not be placed in street or extend into traffic lanes, thereby creating traffic hazards.
- Leaves should not be placed around obstacles such as mailbox posts, sign posts, and light poles.
- Crews will not pick up leaves mixed with debris, logs, branches, rocks, plastic, metal or glass containers, or any other types of refuse.
- Leaves should not be placed on City cul-de-sacs, vacant land, or city property except on the public right-of-way along the curb/shoulder area.

For more information, contact the Department of Public Works at 563-263-8933.