



# Tips & Tricks

## Leaf and Yard Waste

# COLLECTION

- Use paper yard waste bags or reusable curbside containers.
- Check to make sure each curbside container has a City of Abbotsford green compostable waste sticker.
- Do not use plastic or compostable plastic bags.
- Roll tops of full bags shut to prevent leaves from falling or blowing out.
- Ensure bags weigh less than 25 lbs and containers weigh less than 50 lbs.
- Do not let branches or other material stick out of bags or containers.
- Do not place paper yard waste bags at the curb before collection day. Bags left outdoors in the rain and bad weather deteriorate quickly and can rip apart during collection.
- Do not rake leaves or yard waste onto the roadway.



### GREEN TIP

Leave grass clippings on your lawn! Grass clippings decompose quickly and release water and nutrients back into the soil while protecting the lawn's root system from heat and water loss.



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# If in Doubt, Find Out!

If you are unsure whether a household item is recyclable or compostable find out what goes where by using the City's

**Waste Wizard**  available at [abbotsford.ca/wastewizard](http://abbotsford.ca/wastewizard) or by

downloading the free Abbotsford Curbside Collection app at the Apple App Store or on Google Play.

**The wrong material in the wrong place leads to contamination, and then less material gets recycled or composted.**



## COLLECTION TIPS

**To ensure your material is picked up:**

- Get bags and containers to the curb by 7am on collection day.
- Place all bags and containers together in one location.
- Ensure bags and containers can be seen from the street, are easy to access and are not hidden.

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