

Weekly yard waste collection resumes this week in Caledon

Peel Region's yard waste collection services resumed Tuesday (April 2) in Caledon.

Yard waste is collected every other week from April to November in Caledon's urban settlement areas and rural subdivisions. Residents should refer to their collection calendar in the 2013/2014 Waste Management Guide or visit whendoesitgo.ca to check their next collection date. Alternatively, residents may visit peelregion.ca/waste or call 905-584-2216.

In rural areas, the Region collects yard waste three times in the spring and three times in the fall to help residents manage things during the peak seasons.

The spring yard waste collection days will be April 22, May 27 and June 24.

The fall collection days will be Oct. 21, Nov. 11 and Nov. 25.

Caledon residents may also drop off dedicated loads of residential yard waste, free of charge and year-round, at the Caledon Community Recycling Centre at 1795 Quarry Dr., and at the Bolton Community Recycling Centre at 109 Industrial Rd.

Businesses, such as lawn maintenance companies, disposing of yard waste are subject to standard drop-off fees.

Yard waste collection tips

Residents are asked to follow these steps when putting yard waste at the curb for collection:

- ? Place yard waste in labelled, open, rigid and reusable containers; bushel baskets; or paper yard waste bags.
- ? Set out yard waste and recyclable material on the opposite side of the driveway from garbage, if possible.
- ? Tie brush securely in bundles up to 1.2 metres (four feet) in length and 76 centimetres (30 inches) in width, weighing no more than 20 kilograms (44 pounds).
- ? Brush and tree trimmings must be 10 centimetres (4 inches) or less in diameter.

Leaves, garden trimmings, plants, grass clippings, twigs, branches and lawn edgings (earth removed) can be set out as yard waste.

Fruits and vegetables from the garden should be placed in backyard composters or set out as yard waste. Shredded paper should be placed loose in yard waste containers or green bins

Do not use plastic bags, cardboard boxes, green bins or blue boxes for yard waste.

Do not include stumps, soil, sod or stones with yard waste. These materials can be taken to any of Peel's Community Recycling Centres (CRCs) for disposal ? drop-off fees apply. Residents can find CRC operating hours and locations in their Waste Management Guide or at peelregion.ca/waste