YARDWASTE RECYCLING PROGRAM

YARDWASTE SEASON: APRIL - NOVEMBER

Thank you for making the extra effort to responsibly manage your organics with the GSI Yardwaste Recycling Program.

Each week, your yardwaste is processed into compost, diverting it from the landfill. Compost created through our program ends up as either animal bedding, ground cover, or landscaping in our local community, so it is critical that it is not contaminated!! Refer to our guidelines below on how to prevent contamination.



ACCEPTABLE ITEMS for yardwaste bin.	
Flowers	Garden Waste
Weeds	Shrubs Cut up and placed in cart.
Leaves No bags at all, including any type of plastic or biodegradable bags.	Fruits and Vegetables No meat, bones, or dairy.
Tree Branches Cut up and placed in cart or set next to it. Bundles no larger than 2' in length x .5" in diameter (Remember: The rule of thumb, branches should not be any thicker than your thumb.)	Grass Clippings No bags at all. Place loose i cart or in separate 35 gallon container that is labeled "yardwaste".

NOT ACCEPTABLE ITEMS NO PLASTIC BAGS in or outside of cart.		
Dirt or Rocks	Metal Cans or Glass Bottles	
Chemicals	Plastic of Any Kind	
Including paint and other household items.	This includes plant containers and all types of plastic bags.	
Plastic, Compostable or Biodegradable Bags	Animal Waste or Trash of Any Kind	
Not even for grass clippings or leaves.	Even a little bit is considered contamination.	
Large Branches/ Treated Wood	Paper & Compostable Products	
Such as painted or stained wood, particle board, or laminated wood.	Such as plates, cups, napkins, flatware, or compostable plant containers.	

If unacceptable items are placed in your yardwaste container, our drivers cannot contaminate an entire load, and will leave the bin full until unacceptable materials are removed. Yardwaste service begins April 1 and ends November 30. All materials placed in yardwaste containers outside the seasonal dates will be picked up as conventional trash.

