



CITY OF ONEIDA 2026 Spring Clean-up

The City of Oneida, Department of Public Works will begin the annual ***Spring Clean-up*** yard waste removal from **April 20th** to around **May 8th**. Yard waste pick up services will be performed for the inside tax district.

DPW Staff will start in the northern section of the City and work their way south as the week progresses. DPW Staff may reach areas earlier or later in the week depending on weather conditions and the quantity of materials encountered.

ANSWERS TO FAQ'S

- This service is provided to accommodate homeowner yard maintenance and not larger scale brush/tree trimming performed by third parties.
- This is not a set schedule. DPW staff may reach areas earlier or later depending on weather conditions and the quantity of materials encountered.
- A description of acceptable materials for pick-up is listed below.
- Loose piles are acceptable for Spring Clean-up.
- Do not place yard waste in the street. Material for pick-up should be placed behind the curb line.
- Do not place yard waste around the base of utility poles or street trees.
- No appointments or calls are needed for pick up.
- Plastic bags are not acceptable containers and will not be picked up.
- Tree limb piles greatly exceeding the size and configuration listed below will not be removed in order for DPW to accommodate the entire City.
- The City offers self-drop-off if residents do not want to wait for pick-up. Residents can drop-off green waste at our site off of Route 5 (entrance next to Oneida Creek bridge) between the hours of 8:30AM-3PM Mon-Thur. No commercial green waste is allowed.
- Additional Comments/Questions? Call the Public Works office at 315-363-7222

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A. Containers

Containers are not required for spring clean-up. However, if you use containers, plastic bags are not accepted. Acceptable containers as described below may be found at local stores and home centers;

- Brown paper yard bags
- Reusable Container without Lid and clearly marked “Yard” or “Green” waste. *We recommend holes be drilled in the bottom of the container for drainage. Not more than a 32 gallon container and no greater than 30 lbs.*

B. Acceptable Green Waste Material

Acceptable green waste materials for pick-up are as follows;

- Grass clippings and leaves
- Plant debris
- Single woody branches ½ inch to 6 inches in diameter. Any spikes, hooks or other metal objects must be removed.

Example Proper Branch Pile Layout:



- Long lengths are favored provided branches do not block sidewalks and pedestrian access. All branches should be placed at the curb or pavement edge and stacked in an orderly fashion with the cut or larger end toward the pavement if possible.
- Thorny tree branches should not be concealed inside piles. These require special care as to not cause injuries to the workers.
- Place material for pick-up near the curb line for removal. Do not place material within the roadway or sidewalk.

C. Non-Acceptable Materials

Green waste material that will not be picked up by DPW;

- Containers over 30 lbs.
- Yard waste in plastic bags
- Yard waste containing rocks, sod, dirt or animal refuse
- Treated wood
- Construction demolition debris
- Non-organic materials
- Commercial tree trimming will not be accepted and must be hauled away by the person(s) that performed the trimming service. Commercial tree trimming includes any third party performing such services for the homeowner including, but not limited to, landscaping service, tree removal/trimming company, handyman, or other person(s) performing such services.