



brush up on brush collection



Monthly Curbside Brush and Heavy Trash Collection

Thinking about trimming your trees? Is it time to get rid of that old refrigerator or worn out couch taking up space in your garage? Before you start putting items out at the curb, take a moment to review the City's new brush pickup schedule. The City collects brush and bulky items along with household trash and garbage at no extra charge. In the past, brush and bulky items were picked up by Allied Waste on a not-so-routine basis. Our new schedule will help residents plan when to cut brush and trees or place bulky items out for pickup.

Brush and heavy trash is picked up based on your address. A city map and schedule, accessible on the City website, www.portlandtx.com, divides the City into four zones and lists pickup dates for the corresponding zone. Locate your address on the map to determine your zone or call the City of Portland Public Works Department for assistance at 777-2943.

After determining your zone and pickup dates, place your items next to the curb before 7:30 AM on the Monday of your pickup week. Allied Waste cannot guarantee that the brush truck will pass your home more than once during the week assigned for that zone. If you wait until Tuesday or later in the week, there is a good chance your pickup will be missed until the next assigned week for your zone.

Please remember a few things when placing your items:

- Brush must be placed at the curb, not in the street.
- For safety reasons, brush stacked too close to fences, gas meters, mail boxes, sign posts, under overhead wires, low hanging tree limbs or placed too far from the curb cannot be picked up.
- City ordinance requires commercial tree trimmers to haul away tree trimming. If you hire a tree trimmer, make sure they are registered with the City.

As a reminder, the following items CAN be picked up:

- Brush, limbs, and green waste separated from heavy trash.
- Junk or trash generated by ordinary maintenance of a household, but too large for trash cans (such as wood fencing removed by the homeowner).
- Appliances, water heaters, furniture, and carpet.

The following items CANNOT be picked up:

- Hazardous materials (for example, paints, oils, chemicals, and batteries)
- Refrigerators or other appliances that contain Freon.
- Tires

Your cooperation is the key to the success of this program. Keeping an eye on your pickup schedule will help you keep your home clean, and your neighborhood sparkling.



City of Portland Weekly Brush Collection Schedule 2010

AREA	PICK-UP DATES	AREA	PICK-UP DATES
	<u>January</u>		<u>July</u>
1	Jan. 4 - Jan. 8	1	July 5 - July 9
2	Jan. 11 - Jan. 15	2	July 12 - July 16
3	Jan. 18 - Jan. 22	3	July 19 - July 23
4	Jan. 25 - Jan. 29	4	July 26 - July 30
	<u>February</u>		<u>August</u>
1	Feb. 1 - Feb. 5	1	Aug. 2 - Aug. 6
2	Feb. 8 - Feb. 12	2	Aug. 9 - Aug. 13
3	Feb. 15 - Feb. 19	3	Aug. 16 - Aug. 20
4	Feb. 22 - Feb. 26	4	Aug. 23 - Aug. 27
	<u>March</u>		<u>September</u>
1	Mar. 1 - Mar. 5	1	Aug. 30 - Sept. 3
2	Mar. 8 - Mar. 12	2	Sept. 6 - Sept. 10
3	Mar. 15 - Mar. 19	3	Sept. 13 - Sept. 17
4	Mar. 22 - Mar. 26	4	Sept. 20 - Sept. 24
	<u>April</u>		<u>October</u>
1	Apr. 5 - Apr. 9	1	Oct. 4 - Oct. 8
2	Apr. 12 - Apr. 16	2	Oct. 11 - Oct. 15
3	Apr. 19 - Apr. 23	3	Oct. 18 - Oct. 22
4	Apr. 26 - Apr. 30	4	Oct. 25 - Oct. 29
	<u>May</u>		<u>November</u>
1	May 3 - May 7	1	Nov. 1 - Nov. 5
2	May 10 - May 14	2	Nov. 8 - Nov. 12
3	May 17 - May 21	3	Nov. 15 - Nov. 19
4	May 24 - May 28	4	Nov. 22 - Nov. 26
	<u>June</u>		<u>December</u>
1	May 31 - June 4	1	Nov. 29 - Dec. 3
2	June 7 - June 11	2	Dec. 6 - Dec. 10
3	June 14 - June 18	3	Dec. 13 - Dec. 17
4	June 21 - June 25	4	Dec. 20 - Dec. 24

AREA DESCRIPTIONS

Area 1	South of Lang Road and west of US Hwy 181
Area 2	East of and along East Broadway, east of US Hwy 181
Area 3	East of US Hwy 181, west (inside) of East Broadway
Area 4	North of Lang Road, west of US Hwy 181

