



NOTICE TO CITY OF HARTWELL RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES, AND LANDSCAPE CONTRACTORS

The City of Hartwell has recently passed an ordinance concerning yard waste. The ordinance will be strictly enforced by Code Enforcement of the City of Hartwell. Basic points to the ordinance are listed below.

- **A HOMEOWNER OR OCCUPANT MAY DEPOSIT YARD WASTE SUCH AS GRASS CLIPPINGS, LEAVES, AND TREE BRANCHES ALONG THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY IF THEY FOLLOW THESE BASIC GUIDELINES:**
 1. Grass clippings and/or leaves may not be blown or deposited into the street by power equipment such as a lawnmower or blower.
 2. Must be directly in front of property, however, must not obstruct line-of-sight for vehicular traffic.
 3. Must be at least 12 inches away from the interior edge of curb or street.
 - a. If your property has a ditch, yard waste shall be placed 12 inches on the backside of the ditch.
 - b. If your property has curbing, yard waste shall be placed no closer than 12 inches from the backside of the curb.
 - c. If your property has curbing and a sidewalk, yard waste shall be placed no closer than 12 inches from the backside of the sidewalk. Homeowners may NOT place yard waste between the sidewalk and the curb.
 4. Yard waste may only contain organic plant matter for recycling.
 - a. Tree branches must be no larger than 6 inches in diameter.
 - b. Tree branches must be no larger than 6 feet in length.
 - c. Bulk leaf pickup only occurs from November – April.
 - d. Bagged leaf/grass clippings pickup occurs year round. (Must be able to load by hand)
 5. **Fines** for homeowners or occupants not adhering to this ordinance shall not be less than **\$25.00**.
- **LANDSCAPE CONTRACTORS OR ANY PERSON PROVIDING LANDSCAPING SERVICES MAY NOT DEPOSIT YARD WASTE SUCH AS GRASS CLIPPINGS, LEAVES, AND TREE BRANCHES ALONG THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.**
 1. Grass clippings and/or leaves may not be blown or deposited into the street by power equipment such as a lawnmower or blower.
 2. **Fines** for landscape contractors or any person providing landscaping services not adhering to this ordinance shall not be less than **\$100.00**.
 3. Landscape contractors or any person providing landscape services in the City of Hartwell must hold an Occupational Tax Certificate.