

FALL/WINTER 2020

COVID-19 Pandemic and Recycling Right!

City of Quincy

DPW



InfoLetter



KEEP THIS FLYER

To remind you of important information regarding yardwaste collection, winter parking rules and other information.

Workers assist at every level of the material recovery process to ensure product quality and marketability.

The importance of “Recycling Right” during the COVID pandemic has never been more important. With so many businesses closing throughout the country the bulk of materials needed to keep manufacturing running must come from curbside recycling programs. Clean paper, plastic and aluminum are tantamount to maintaining a vigorous supply of recycled materials to manufacturers and reducing the need to extract raw materials from our limited natural resources. We are happy to announce that Quincy continues to make strides in reducing contamination in curbside recycling and your continued effort keeps this trend going. We all long for the day when the new normal will allow us to begin using our reusable food

shopping bags again but until that time please continue to keep plastic bags out of the recycling stream and place them in the trash. Through these small steps everyone can personally help reduce excessive contamination charges and save taxpayer money.

Lastly, we strongly urge you to adhere to State guidelines regarding the wearing of Personal Protective Equipment, (PPE). And that all used masks and rubber gloves be disposed of properly and placed in the trash, NOT the recycling bin or thrown on the ground.

Let's keep the beautification of our City going, Recycle Right and Stay Safe!



Visit quincyma.gov for more details.

DPW Welcomes Tom Henry as Recycling Coordinator

With a grant from the MA Department of Environmental Protection, the City of Quincy recently hired its first full time Recycling Coordinator. Mr. Thomas Henry, a Quincy resident since 1978, will take over much of the recycling duties at the DPW. His focus will be increasing landfill waste diversion and improving the quality and quantity of curbside recycling throughout the City.

Mr. Henry comes to us with a long history in the recycling industry having spent the last thirteen years working for Waste Management Inc., North America's largest recycler. Here he gained in-depth knowledge of fickle recycling markets and their global economics. Tom's responsibilities included setting up robust recycling programs for Waste Management's largest clients throughout the New England area.

PPEs are not recyclable.

Place PPEs in TRASH.



Public Works Commissioner Al Grazioso stated, "The waste and recycling landscape is constantly changing and the cost to taxpayers has risen exponentially." The Commissioner added, "With his experience and knowledge of the recycling industry Mr. Henry will make big contributions to keeping costs down."

Mr. Henry said he looks forward to the challenges of his new job and is glad to be a part of the historic and dynamic City of Presidents.



DEAR FRIENDS,

I hope you are enjoying your summer despite the unique challenges that Covid-19 has brought over these past months. As you may have seen, planned road, sewer & water main work continues across our City.

Seawall re-construction is underway in Ward One to repair and revitalize that vulnerable area of coastline helping to protect the community against future storms as well as climate change issues. Into September, sewer work continues on 40 streets, surface work and sidewalks on 32 streets and water main work on 22 streets.

Please keep the important phone numbers included in this issue on hand as we enter into the fall and winter seasons. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me directly with any questions at 617-376-1990 if I may be of assistance in any matter.

Sincerely,

Mayor Thomas P. Koch

Important Numbers

Capitol Waste.....	617-376-7556
24-hr Emergency	617-376-1910
Commissioner	
Al Grazioso	617-376-1959
Business Manager	
Neil McCole	617-376-1406
Operations Manager	
Michael Norton	617-376-1258
Waste Manager	
John Sullivan.....	617-376-1953
Engineering.....	617-376-1950
Water/Sewer/Drain	617-376-1910
Water Billing	617-376-1918
Street Sweeping	617-376-1957
Pot Hole Hotline.....	617-376-1914

FREE TIRE PICK-UP AND DISPOSAL!

Unused tires are the perfect breeding ground for disease carrying mosquitoes. This fall and winter the Norfolk County Mosquito Control Tire Recycling Service will collect up to 10 unused tires at your home. Tires must be off-rim. To have your tires picked-up at your residence call the NCMCTRS at 781-762-3681 or visit their web site at norfolkcountymosquito.org.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF DAY

October 3, 2020, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Saturday, October 3, is Household Hazardous Waste Dropoff Day at the DPW, 55 Sea St., from **8 am to 12 pm**. This event is for **Quincy residents only**. A MA Driver's License with a Quincy address is required. When gathering products for the event leave materials in original containers and tighten all caps and lids. Sort and pack items separately in sturdy upright boxes. NEVER MIX CHEMICALS. Do not smoke while handling hazardous material and do not bring children in the car with you. For a complete list of materials, accepted and unaccepted, visit the DPW home page at www.quincyma.gov.



COVID-19 PANDEMIC GUIDELINES APPLY

- Do not exit vehicle. You will be asked to leave.
- Clean Harbors will accept hazardous waste from pick-up beds, trunks and from the back of SUVs.
- Nothing will be accepted from the cab or nothing may be handed to the attendant.
- Clean Harbors will not return any containers.

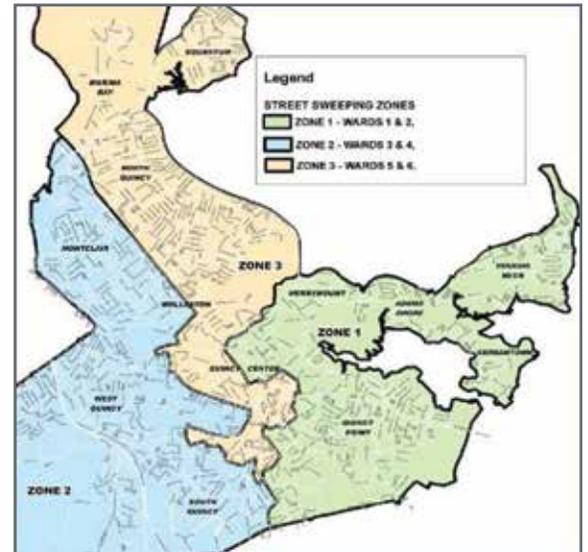
NEW and IMPROVED STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE

Street sweeping is an important part of keeping our city clean. It removes waste material from city streets and prevents hazardous material like automotive debris from migrating into the drainage system and polluting our local beaches and waterways.

For additional information regarding street sweeping procedures, please call DPW Operations Manager Michael Norton at (617) 376-1258.

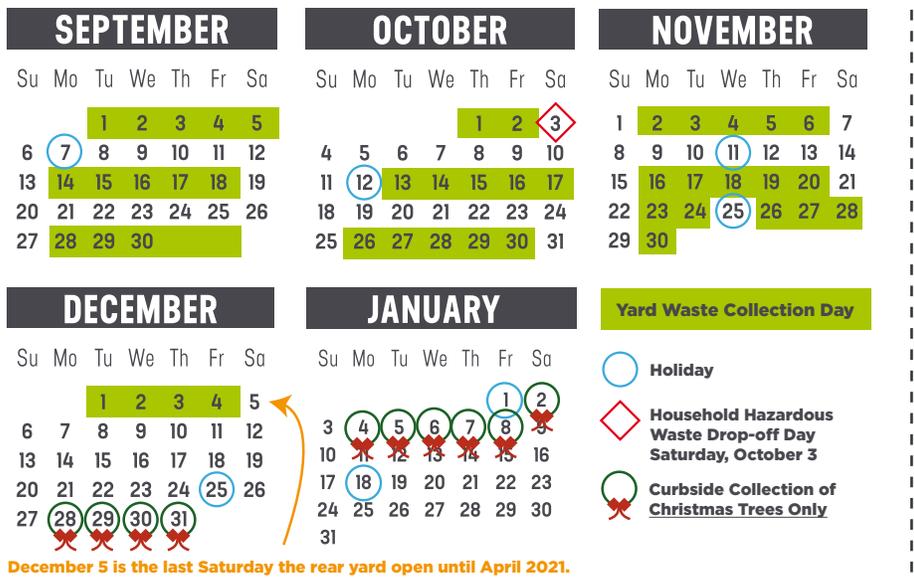
Please remove your motor vehicles from the street during the week it will be swept. Electronic signs will be posted prior to sweeping.

Wards 1 & 2	Week of Oct. 26	Wards 1 & 2	Week of Nov. 16
Wards 3 & 4	Week of Nov. 2	Wards 3 & 4	Week of Nov. 23
Wards 5 & 6	Week of Nov. 9	Wards 5 & 6	Week of Nov. 30



YARD WASTE SCHEDULE SEPT. 2020-JAN. 2021

Yardwaste is collected on your regular trash day during the highlighted weeks of this calendar. Place leaves, grass clippings and twigs into paper bags or in barrels marked with YARDWASTE stickers. Use NO PLASTIC BAGS. Free yardwaste stickers are available at the DPW, City Hall and the Kennedy Senior Center and are required on yardwaste barrels. Branches must be cut into 3-foot lengths and cannot be thicker than 2.5 inches. You may drop-off yardwaste and recyclables at the DPW yard M-F, 7:30 am to 3 pm, year-round weather permitting, and on Saturdays, March 28 through December 5, from 7:30 am to 2:30 pm, weather permitting.

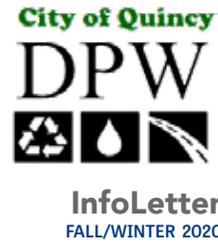


December 5 is the last Saturday the rear yard open until April 2021.





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 ECRWSS
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 Permit No. 1000



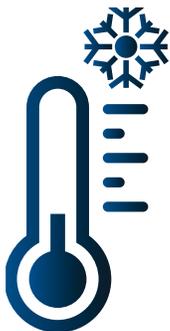
For curbside collection of appliances, TVs and monitors call 617-376-7556 at least one full business day before your regular trash day.



Please have your trash out by 7am on your regular trash day. Pick-up times are subject to change without notice.

POSTAL CUSTOMER

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WINTER PARKING RULES

1. To find out about Snow Emergencies:
 - a. Call 617-770-7669 for a recording.
 - b. Tune into cable TV channels 8 or 9.
 - c. Go to the City's web site at quincyma.gov.
 - d. To receive ALERTS directly to your e-mail, sign up for "MY Q" at the City's web site, quincyma.gov.
2. Once a Snow Emergency is declared residents can get further help by calling the Snow Hotline at 617-376-1927.
3. Parking is not allowed on either side of all Emergency Arteries during a declared Snow emergency.
4. Residents on non-emergency side streets are allowed to park on the **EVEN** side of the street this winter.
5. Visit the City's website for information on parking permits. Parking permits do not allow residents to park on Emergency Arteries during snow emergencies.
6. Violators of Quincy's parking rules and vehicles that hamper snow removal operations will be towed at the owner's expense.