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	2022)

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to inform you that the City will be issuing the below information bulletin on Oct. 27 regarding changes to this year's fall leaf collection schedule.

This year's leaf collection will take place over several weekends in October, November and December.

Best, Paul

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The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the x<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>B</sup>iyəm (Musqueam), Snwx<sup>B</sup>wú7mesh (Squamish), and səlilwəta<del>l</del> (Tsleil-Waututh)Nations.

## City of Vancouver Information Bulletin October 27, 2022

# New 2022 leaf collection schedule

Do you know where your rake is? With a chilly and wet fall now upon us, it's the season to take note of the City's leaf collection services and the things we can all do to keep our sidewalks and streets safe, and to prevent flooding.

#### Extra leaf collection weekends – new schedule for 2022

Leaves collected by residents from their property, sidewalk, and boulevard can be put in the green bin. Extra leaves that don't fit into the green bin can be placed in paper yard waste bags or in storebought bins (maximum 100 litres) and set out for collection on designated leaf collection weekends.

Due to a reduction in the number of vehicles available for leaf pickup, leaf collection will be scheduled over several weekends in October, November and December. Here is the revised schedule for residential collection:

Collection Zone 2022 Collection Dates

<b>North collection zones</b> <i>Red North, Blue North, Green North,</i> <i>Purple North or Yellow North</i>	<ul> <li>October 29-30</li> <li>November 19-20</li> <li>December 17-18</li> </ul>
<b>South collection zones</b> <i>Red South, Blue South, Green South,</i> <i>Purple South or Yellow South</i>	<ul> <li>November 5-6</li> <li>November 26-27</li> <li>December 17-18</li> </ul>

Residents can confirm their leaf pickup schedule by going online at <u>collection schedule</u> and entering their address.

### Leaf collection reminders:

- \u10003? Set out leaves before 7am on the scheduled Saturday to ensure pickup.
- \u10003 ? Keep filled paper leaf bags as dry as possible before setting them out to prevent them from tearing during collection.
- \u10003 ? Keep leaves set out if they are not collected on your scheduled weekend. Crews will return to missed areas.
- **X Do not** set out leaves in plastic bags, including plastic bags labelled compostable or biodegradable.
- **X Do not** set out your green bin on extra leaf collection weekends. Residents should set out their green bin on their regular scheduled collection day.

#### Get a schedule reminder

Residents can get reminders for leaf collection weekends, as well as waste pickup days, recycling drop-off events, and litter cleanup events by downloading the VanCollect app.

#### Leaf removal from City streets starts soon

Starting in mid-November, the City coordinates a city-wide leaf clearing program to remove fallen leaves from streets. To avoid fines and help ensure our crews can do the best job possible, vehicle owners should comply with all temporary no stopping signage posted on City streets.

#### Help prevent flooding

Residents and businesses should never rake or blow leaves onto catch basins, streets, sidewalks or bike lanes. Raking or blowing leaves onto the street or sidewalk can create a safety hazard for pedestrians and cyclists, can cause flooding, and is a fineable offence under the Street and Traffic By-Law. Help us prevent flooding and adopt your own catch basin and keep it clear throughout the year. There are more than 40,000 catch basins that need adopting. Find out how at <u>vancouver.ca</u> /catchbasin

#### Collected leaves are turned into compost for purchase

Collected leaves are turned into nutrient-rich compost at the Vancouver Landfill. This compost can be purchased by residential gardeners, commercial landscapers, and municipal park boards. Leaves and other yard trimmings can also be dropped off for a fee at the Vancouver South Transfer Station located at 377 West Kent Ave North, and at the Vancouver Landfill located at 5400 72 Street in Delta.

Find more about the City...<u>seasonal leaf collection program</u>.

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