

Borough Services Schedule July - December 2018

YARD WASTE AND RECYCLING CONTAINERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE BOROUGH OFFICE. THE COST IS \$13 EACH FOR A 20 GALLON CONTAINER.

YARDWASTE COLLECTION

Month	PLACE YARD WASTE CONTAINERS OUT BY 7AM ON MONDAY OF THE FOLLOWING WEEKS:
July	23rd
August	27th
September	24th
October	22nd
November	26th
December	17th - weather permitting

Yard Waste Guidelines

- Different trucks collect various types of yard waste and not always at the same time. Therefore, yard waste must be placed in your regular refuse collection area by 7am on Monday morning to be collected sometime that week
- No bags or boxes will be accepted – only open containers not exceeding 33-gallons in size
- Yard waste containers may not have lids and must be marked with the complete word “yard waste” in large letters on all sides of the can.
- All yard waste containers must have drainage holes in the bottom of the can and handles of adequate strength for lifting.
- Limbs 1”-12” in diameter and in excess of 4 ft. must be neatly

stacked in the regular refuse collection area with cut ends facing one direction towards the street or alley

- Plants, twigs, and any bush trimmings smaller than 1” diameter, must be placed in open containers not exceeding 45-pounds, or, bound together in bundles not exceeding 4-feet in length or 45-pounds in weight using cotton or sisal twine only. **Bagged items and unbound loose piles will not be picked-up!**
- Tree stumps or branches larger than 12” in diameter may be placed for collection, but will be picked up separately from the other yard waste
- The Borough does not collect grass clippings
- Pumpkins, gourds, hay bales, and other vegetation used for seasonal decorations will be collected as yard waste.

PLEASE NOTE: Any items not at the appropriate pick-up location by the described time will be missed.

STREET SWEEPING ~ Ends in October. Street sweeping will start the first weekday of every month for a one-week period of time.

RECYCLING COLLECTION ~ EVERY WEEK ~ Place recycling cans out for collection not before dusk of the day before your collection and not after 7 AM of the day of collection.

Holiday Refuse/Recycling Schedule (Subject to change):

- Holiday on Monday = Tuesday is collection day
- Holiday on Tuesday = Wednesday is collection day
- Holiday on Wednesday = Thursday is collection day
- Holiday on Thursday = Friday is collection day
- Holiday on Friday = Thursday (prior to holiday) is collection day

The Borough office will be closed on the following dates:

- Independence Day - July 4th
- Labor Day - September 3rd
- Columbus Day - October 8th

Please contact the Borough office at (717) 838-6361 if you have any questions.

Summer 2018



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Our Town News

APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS...

...and the steady growth of grass, weeds, and trees. The Spring rains have encouraged all three to continue growing until the heat of summer arrives. Borough Council has passed several ordinances requiring property owners to maintain all three to a certain height or risk receiving a courtesy letter concerning the violation (or citation for non-compliance) from the Zoning and Codes Enforcement Officer. The following are the ordinances outlining the required heights:

Grass / Weeds

§ 202-2 Weeds unlawful and a nuisance under certain conditions. No person owning or holding any real estate within the Borough shall permit noxious weeds or other undesirable vegetation, grasses, etc., to grow thereon to a height in excess of 12 inches or to mature their seeds thereon, or fail to cut and destroy such weeds and other undesirable vegetation when notified by the Borough to do so. Such growth of weeds or other desirable vegetation is declared to be a nuisance injurious to the public interest and public health.

Grass in the Street

§ 310-40.1 Protection of municipal separate storm sewer system. [Added 12-13-2016 by Ord. No. 770] No person shall discharge, deposit, place, or drain any substance or item into the Borough's municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4), and no person shall discharge, deposit, place, or drain any substance or item onto any street which can directly or indirectly enter the MS4. Such prohibitions include, but are not limited to, the following:

- No persons shall sweep in to or deposit into any street or any portion of the MS4 grass clippings. This prohibition shall include blowing of grass clippings from a property onto a street or portion of the MS4. If a person accidentally sweeps, deposits or blows grass clippings into a street or portion of the MS4 and promptly removes such grass clippings, there shall be no violation of this chapter.
- No person shall sweep into or deposit in any street or portion of the MS4 accumulations of litter or other waste materials from any building or lot or sidewalk or driveway. Notwithstanding the foregoing, leaves may be placed at curbside of a street for collection in accordance with Borough regulations.
- No person shall discharge or allow to be discharged any stones, gravel, mud, dirt, or other substances onto any Borough street or into the MS4.

Trees

§ 337-4 Clearance of trees above sidewalk and roadway and around street lights. It shall be the duty of every owner of property in the Borough of Palmyra to trim and keep trimmed the limbs, branches and/or foliage of all trees growing upon his property or along the street abutting upon his property, so that no portion of any such limbs, branches or foliage shall be lower than 10 feet above the surface of the sidewalk or lower than 14 feet above the surface of the roadway or obstruct illumination cast by street lights.

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Borough Management

- Roger Powl, Borough Mgr
- Brenda Pera, Asst Borough Mgr

Codes Enforcement

- Michelle Bowman

Public Works

- Scott Plouse, Superintendent

Police

- Stan Jasinski, Police Chief

USE THIS CHECKLIST...

TO HELP DETERMINE IF YOUR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY NEEDS REPAIRS OR MAINTENANCE REVIEW THESE ITEMS ON A REGULAR BASIS

YARDS

- Missing ground cover, bare spots
- Overgrown/diseased vegetation
- Tall grass or weeds over eight inches
- Inoperable or unlicensed vehicles
- Deteriorating or damaged fencing
- Cracked or deteriorating driveways
- Cracked or deteriorating concrete or asphalt surfaces
- Improper outside storage, including garbage and trash
- Animal wastes

ROOFS

- Broken or missing shingles
- Deteriorating roofing materials
- Missing or deteriorated soffits and soffit screens
- Missing or deteriorated trim boards
- Awnings and canopies in good repair and properly anchored
- Chimneys and vents structurally sound, properly functioning and in good repair

WALLS-INTERIOR & EXTERIOR

- Broken or deteriorating siding/brick
- Holes/ broken walls or foundations
- Fading, peeling or flaking paint
- Rusted metal
- Broken shutters
- Missing or deteriorating trim
- Broken or deteriorating decorative features

WINDOWS & DOORS

- Broken, cracked or loose glazing
- Deteriorated or missing trim, frame, sash or sills
- Deteriorated doors
- Weather tight closures at doors, windows and skylights
- Fading, peeling or flaking paint
- Screens at doors and windows properly installed and in good repair

GUTTERS & DOWNSPOUTS

- Missing or broken sections
- Securely anchored
- Rusting or deterioration
- Fading, peeling or flaking paint
- Improper discharge of downspouts

BALCONIES, PORCHES & STEPS

- Broken or deteriorated floor boards
- Missing or deteriorated posts or railings
- Broken concrete or bricks
- Faded, peeling or flaking paint
- Broken or missing stair treads or risers

LAWN CARE FOR WATER QUALITY & STORMWATER REDUCTION

Maintaining a lush, weed-free lawn is a source of pride for many homeowners. To accomplish this, however, many property owners over-apply nitrogen and phosphorus fertilizers. Homeowners also apply herbicides and pesticides to their lawns to get rid of weeds and insects. During storm events, runoff collects these chemicals, discharging them into local streams. Discharge from a single property may seem insignificant, but the combination of lawn areas in an entire watershed is significant.

What Can You Do?

There are many things you can do to minimize the amount of fertilizers, herbicides, and pesticides polluting our streams. Listed below are a few items to consider that can help reduce the risk of tainting our water quality:

- Reduce the size of your lawn. Add landscaped beds with native trees, shrubs, and perennials. This minimizes mowing time, reduces gasoline exhaust, reduces runoff, and provides food and habitat for wildlife species.
- Maintain a variety of plants in your lawn. Turf grass has very short roots, but other plants have long tuberous roots that pull nutrients and water deep into the soil.
- Reduce watering. Lawns need to rest after the spring growth spurt. During the dry season, turf grass uses stored energy to grow deep roots.
- Use a mulching mower. Shredded grass clippings return nutrients to the soil. If you choose to collect grass clippings, you should compost them.
- Conduct soil tests once every three years. Determine the actual fertilizer requirements of your soil and apply half the recommended amount.
- Minimize fertilizers. Less fertilizer means less excess entering runoff.
- Aerate your lawn. Aerating allows oxygen and water to become more available to root systems, reducing runoff.



11th ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7th, 2018
6 PM TO 9 PM

CAMPBELLTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT
2818 HORSESHOE PIKE

National Night Out Against Crime is a joint effort of our local police departments and emergency responders working together with area businesses and organizations to build solid community partnerships. The Community is invited to come and enjoy an evening with your neighbors and friends. Check out the new businesses or say hello to your local favorites. There will be free food, fun and entertainment for the whole family. Come say hello to your local Police, Fire and EMS.