



# Yard Waste Collection



- Yard Waste is collected starting the first full week in May until the last full week of October.
- Your yard waste must be outside by 7:00 am on your regular garbage/recycling pickup day and **must be labeled with a yard waste label that is visible to the driver.** (free labels are available at the Town Office)
- Yard waste must be in a clean, rigid and reusable container such as a garbage can or a plastic bin or a retail paper yard waste bag. (labels are not required for paper yard waste bags)
- Clear plastic biodegradable bags or boxes are **not** accepted.
- All brush must be no longer than 4 feet in length and must be tied and bundled with string. (branches are not to exceed 1" in diameter)
- Each container or bundle cannot exceed **50 pounds.**

## Tips to Reduce Yard Waste Volume

- Mow over leaves before loading them. This significantly reduces the volume of the leaves, thereby saving money on collection and labour costs.
- Consider composting. Composting is the biological decomposition of organic material into a humus-like substance called compost. Leaves and other types of yard waste can be a source of materials used in a compost pile. The Town has composting containers available for sale at the Town Office in the Civic Centre.

## Free Yard Waste Depot

The Town of Blackfalds Transfer Station accepts drop off of yard waste materials during regular hours of operation, which are posted on the Town website.

## Items collected and/or accepted at the Transfer Station yard waste drop off:

Leaves	Grass clippings
Shrubs	Branches
Weeds	Vegetable garden waste
Flowers and garden plants	Sod (in very small quantities)
Pine needles/acorns	Vines

For more information contact the Town Office at 403.885.4677 or visit [www.blackfalds.com](http://www.blackfalds.com).



**Remember, plastic bags are not accepted for yard waste.**