

Spring Clean-Up 2015 | *City of Auburn*

What is Spring Clean-Up?

Spring Clean-Up is a service which allows Auburn residents who receive weekly trash pick-up from the City to dispose of materials not normally picked up during solid waste collection.

Where will my materials be picked up?

Crews will pick up materials (including brush) at normal collection points. All waste must be at the roadside by 7:00 AM on the collection day.

Can I dispose of materials myself?

Yes. From May 2 to May 23 Auburn residents may bring their spring clean-up materials (excluding brush and tires) directly to the MMWAC facility on Goldthwaite Road free of charge. You must show proof of Auburn residency (i.e. driver's license, vehicle registration, or tax bill). MMWAC is open from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday - Friday, and 7:00 AM to 12:00 noon on Saturday.

See reverse for disposal instructions for specific types of materials and other hazardous waste.



Materials to be Collected

- Wood Waste*
- Furniture
- Rugs
- Mattresses
- Tires**
- Metal***
- Washer/Dryer
- Refrigerator
- Small Appliances
- Brush****

Schedule

Trash Collection Day	Have Waste Roadside By:
Monday	Monday, May 4
Tuesday	Wednesday, May 6
Wednesday	Friday, May 8
Thursday	Tuesday, May 12
Friday	Thursday, May 14

No Material may be Placed Curbside Until May 4th

MMWAC also accepts the following items year round:

Free of Charge:

- Metal
- Recyclables
- Car Batteries
- Propane Tanks

**MMWAC
(783-8805)**

For a Fee:

- Freon Units (AC units, Refrigerators, Dehumidifiers) - \$15 per unit
- Tires (4 or less) - \$3.00 each (\$6.00 w/rims) 16 inches or smaller
- Tires (more than 4) by weight - \$214.14 per ton
- Bulky waste - 4 ½ cents per pound (\$90.74/ton)

* Wood waste should be kept separate from brush piles.

** 4 tire limit.

*** Except for large auto parts and metals containing hazardous materials.

**** Brush and branches must be placed with butt ends facing the street.

Disclaimer: The City reserves the right to refuse to pick up any material it solely determines to be dangerous, hazardous, or ill-prepared.



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How do I dispose of hazardous and liquid wastes, like oil-based paint, pesticides, and old gasoline?

These materials are accepted free of charge at the Environmental Depot at the Lewiston Solid Waste Facility (10 gallon/40 pound limit). The Facility is located on the River Road, and is open on the first and third Saturday of every month from May through November, excluding holiday weekends. Hours of operation are from 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon.

What materials are accepted at Auburn Public Works?

On an ongoing basis, fluorescent bulbs, mercury containing devices (thermostats, thermometers), ballasts, TVs, and computer monitors are accepted at the Auburn Public Works Facility located at 296 Gracelawn Road Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM. All these materials may be dropped off by residents free of charge. Please check in at the office. Fluorescent bulbs are accepted from businesses for a fee. More information available at www.avcog.org

Did You Know?

Curbside collection of recyclables only occurs two times per month, not every other week. There is no collection of recyclables in the “fifth” week of a month. For example, some months have five Mondays. In those cases, recyclables materials are not picked up on the fifth Monday. A calendar with recycling pick-up dates is available at www.auburnmaine.org under the Public Works department.

Guidelines

- Waste **will not** be collected if it is put out after the scheduled collection date. This includes brush.
- The Spring Clean-up program is not intended to dispose of materials that are generated as a result of building renovations, improvements (roofing, siding, etc.), demolitions, land clearing, or for any commercial or industrial waste.
- Materials must be separated by type and placed in neat piles. Please separate spring clean-up waste from normal household waste.
- Items must be limited to what two people can lift.
- No more than one truck load of materials per residence.
- Please keep all Spring Clean-up materials off the sidewalks.
- **No Material may be placed curbside until May 4th**

Street Sweeping

Street sweeping generally starts as soon as possible, after snow has melted. It is our goal to sweep materials from the roadway before they are washed into catch basins and, eventually, into the Androscoggin River and other brooks, streams, and ponds of Auburn. This explains why Public Works crews are sometimes seen sweeping rural roads.

Several factors, such as compliance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requirements, motorist safety, silica dust, and appearance, make it necessary to sweep streets in Auburn.

Street sweeping is prioritized by first sweeping areas with the highest traffic volumes, next sweeping the urbanized areas with enclosed drainage systems, and lastly, sweeping the rural areas.

For residents who sweep the sidewalks, please sweep the sand into a long, continuous line rather than into piles. This will make the pick-up process easier on our equipment and work crews.

A schedule of street sweeping can also be found at www.auburnmaine.org

