

Check List for Yard Clean Up

Fences, sheds, and exterior items are impacted by weather conditions and time. Trees and bushes will grow over time and could eventually cause damage to your or your neighbor's property. Periodic cleaning and maintenance will extend the life of property and improve the appearance of a home. If you have trees, bushes, or a fence along a common property line with a neighbor, coordinate activities to ensure there is no inconvenience or damage to surrounding area when cleanup and maintenance occurs.

Cleanup and Maintenance Recommendations are:

Fences

- Correct fence sections/posts that are leaning off of the vertical
- Replace missing, broken, split, or warped fence pickets, rails, or posts
- Clean or pressure wash fence to remove mold and mildew; repaint/stain as applicable.

Trees and bushes

- Remove dead trees from the property
- Trim trees to raise the canopy so that branches do not hang too low or touch fences
- Trim tree limbs away from your neighbors yard. (Discuss with your neighbor and trim the tree limbs where agreed so that both properties look nice.)
- Remove trees if they are too close to the fence line.
- Trim/prune bushes/shrubs during the year to improve appearance
- Rake up dead plant materials

Home exterior, Sheds, and other structures

- Sheds should be kept in good condition.
- Replace and/or repair the roof if necessary
- Paint if required
- Pressure wash to remove mold and mildew
- Fix broken doors and windows
- Pressure wash patio, bricks, and back of house to remove mold and mildew

Yards and Outdoor living/storage spaces

- Yards should be kept free of clutter - remember your yard may be visible from your neighbors two story house or the type of fence may provide a view of your yard.
- Pick up kids toys, bicycles, etc.
- Remove old plant pots
- Clean any yard art, lawn chairs, or other outdoor items; dispose of broken items
- Keep organized