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LOOSE LEAF COLLECTION RESUMES OCT. 17

WAKE FOREST, NC – September 27, 2011 – The Town of Wake Forest will resume its annual loose leaf collection program on Monday, Oct. 17.

Residents should rake their leaves into piles at the curb by 7 a.m. on their regularly scheduled weekly collection day as crews will adhere to the normal yard waste collection schedule.

When set out on the curb for collection, leaves must be free of limbs, trash, and debris. Limbs and brush may be placed at the curb in a pile separate from leaves, but residents should avoid creating mounds in the street.

Limbs and brush larger than one inch but smaller than six inches in diameter must be no longer than six feet. Limbs and logs larger than six inches in diameter must not exceed two feet in length. Logs must not exceed 10 inches in diameter.

The Town of Wake Forest limits the amount of yard waste and leaves it picks up at each household each week to four cubic yards (approximately one pickup truck load), so residents are urged to plan their cleanup accordingly.

The Town does not collect stumps or clearing debris from lots and will not pick up debris placed at the curb by private contractors.

Leaf mulch is available upon request from October through March. Each delivery is approximately 20 cubic yards. To request a free leaf mulch delivery, contact Betty Pearce at (919) 435-9570 or bpearce@wakeforestnc.gov.

The Town has suspended wood chip requests and deliveries until Dec. 27.

For more information about leaf collection and the Town's yard waste collection schedule, contact Betty Pearce at bpearce@wakeforestnc.gov or (919) 435-9570 or visit the Town's website at www.wakeforestnc.gov/Residents/PublicWorks_YardWaste.aspx.

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