



CITY OF FORT DODGE PUBLIC WORKS – SANITATION

Central Maintenance Facility

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MEDIA RELEASE

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**Yard Waste Site at Central Garage Opens Saturday, April 3rd, 2021
Curbside Yard Waste Pick Up Begins on Friday, April 9th, 2021**

On Saturday, April 3rd, 2021, the compost site at the Public Works facility will open to the general public. Please note there is no commercial access to the Public Works compost site. COVID protocols implemented last year remain in effect for the 2021 season.

This protocol includes:

- Appropriate social distancing (6 feet) by all individuals.
- Access into the disposal site will be limited to a set number of vehicles. If the maximum number of vehicles are using the site, others will be required to wait until someone leaves. Please plan your visit accordingly.
- Citizens must remain in their vehicles until they reach their assigned area to offload yard waste.
- All bags must be emptied and disposed of properly. No bags will be allowed to be left at the disposal site.
- We encourage everyone who visits the site to wear a mask of some sort.

The normal rules also still apply. These consist of:

- Access is limited to all residents who live within the City limits and also pay for garbage service through the City.
- Pick-up trucks or trailers with loose yard waste and/or branches must be covered with a tarp to prevent items from blowing out.
- Tree branches must be separated from the leaves/grass.

Hours are:

- 8:00 am until noon on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
- 8:00 am until 4:00 pm on Saturday
- Closed on Wednesday and holidays

Curbside Yard Waste Pick Up will begin on Friday, April 9th, 2021. Requests must be submitted by noon on Thursdays.

Current sanitation customers can submit their request by texting "YARD WASTE" to (515) 408-9888 and following the prompts.

SCHEDULE YOUR CURBSIDE YARD WASTE PICK UP TODAY!

Text "YARD WASTE" to

(515) 408-9888

Learn more at www.fortdodgeiowa.org/textmygov



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Yard waste should be placed in Kraft paper bags with orange stickers affixed and visible and placed at the curb no later than 6:00 am on Fridays. Yard waste placed in plastic bags will not be picked up. Tree branches must be in bundles no larger than 18" in diameter and 4' in length and branches themselves must be no larger than 4" in diameter. Orange stickers are also required for bundles. Bundles and yard waste bags cannot exceed a 50 pound weight limit.

Stickers can be purchased at the Utility Billing counter in City Hall, 819 1st Avenue South, for \$0.75 each. We ask that the public have exact change if possible. City Hall is open from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday-Friday.