



## NEWS RELEASE

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### 2021 Fall Leaf Pickup Program Runs October 25 – December 2

The annual City of Portage Fall Leaf Pickup Program runs October 25 through December 2. Leaf collection will occur three times in each zone or until prohibited by weather. The schedule below indicates the pickup dates for each neighborhood.

Property owners can read complete program details, view a collection map (attached) and use the Address Locator Tool at [portagemi.gov/282](http://portagemi.gov/282) to determine the three collection dates for each neighborhood.

Zone	1st Collection	2nd Collection	3rd Collection
1	Monday, October 25	Monday, November 8	Monday, November 22
2	Tuesday, October 26	Tuesday, November 9	Tuesday, November 23
3	Wednesday, October 27	Wednesday, November 10	Wednesday, November 24
4	Thursday, October 28	Thursday, November 11	Monday, November 29
5	Friday, October 29	Friday, November 12	Tuesday, November 30
6	Monday, November 1	Monday, November 15	Wednesday, December 1
7	Tuesday, November 2	Tuesday, November 16	Thursday, December 2

- ONLY loose leaves or leaves bagged in biodegradable paper bags will be collected. Leaves in plastic bags (including biodegradable plastic bags) WILL NOT be collected.
- Residents are asked to place leaves at the curb by 7 AM on the scheduled date.
- Loose leaves should be raked off the grass and into the street. Leaves bagged in biodegradable paper yard waste bags should be placed next to the curb as close to the street edge as possible so as to not block traffic or bike lanes.
- The Fall Leaf Pickup Program is separate from the Quarterly Curbside Brush Collection Program. Brush and leaf piles should be placed in separate locations at the curb.
- Streets will be swept following the third and final collection, weather permitting.
- There is NO burn period in Portage. Burning of leaves is not permitted at any time.

This program is not performed for commercial establishments, churches or schools, or on private streets (unless every property owner on a private street has signed an indemnification form). Residents may call the Department of Public Works at 329-4444 with any questions.

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