



## What is “leafcycling”?

Leafcycling is the organic recycling of leaves in a way that is more affordable, easier and more beneficial for your yard.

## BENEFITS OF LEAFCYCLING

- Lessens hazardous driving conditions because leaves are not piled next to the curb and not spilling into the street
- Keep leaves from clogging storm drains
- Eliminates waste
- Easier and faster than raking leaves into piles or bagging them
- Feeds and strengthens your lawn

## HOW TO PROPERLY RECYCLE LEAVES

Shred them with a:

- Mulching mower or lawn mower with a mulch accessory attachment
- String trimmer (used in conjunction with a trash can)
- Leaf vacuum
- Commercial shredder

## I'VE SHREDDED MY LEAVES... NOW WHAT?

- **Leave on lawn:** Shredded leaves are great as winter mulch and will benefit the overall health of your lawn.
- There should be no more than 1” thick of finely shredded leaves (dime sized shreds) left on the lawn. You can rake or blow excess shredded leaves to other lawn areas so as to 'even out'. In a few weeks, the leaf shreds will “sink into” the grass blades and not be as visible.
- **Leave under trees:** Blow excess from lawn under trees or into landscape beds.
- **In wooded areas:** You may not need to shred the leaves at all. just leave 'em alone!
- **On compost piles:** Shredded leaves break down much faster. Also, they act as “browns” in the green/brown ratio mix.

**TAKE THE PLEDGE!**

TEAR OFF AND MAIL TO  
YOUR LANDSCAPER WITH  
YOUR MONTHLY CHECK!

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PLEASE START  
LEAFCYCLING ON MY  
LAWN! THANK YOU.

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