



FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM

Franconia Township is required through DEP and Act 101 to provide a curbside leaf collection program. The collection was originally handled through a third-party hauler selected through a bid process by Franconia Township. However, the grant money used to fund this program was reduced through the state. Therefore, Franconia Township has had to go to a subscription based program in order to offer this service. Subscription-based means that leaf collection is provided by the private hauler in addition to their normal trash and recyclable collections.

The leaf collection program itself, is an effort by the Township to implement a program where residents can dispose of leaf waste through a curbside collection. Act 101 defines “leaf waste” as “leaves, garden residues, shrubbery and tree trimmings, and similar material, but not including grass clippings.” These items are then taken to a composting facility. Through this program we can eliminate the need to burn leaves. Composting is a beneficial process that allows for the reuse of materials and it is safer for the environment. The Franconia Township leaf collection program requires the following:

1. Leaf waste must be placed in the biodegradable paper leaf bags. Plastic bags will not be accepted. Free Leaf bags can be obtained at the Township Building located at 671 Allentown Road, Franconia PA. The bags are available to Franconia Township residents only!! The office is opened Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.
2. The bags must only contain leaf waste. Other household refuse or grass clippings cannot be intermixed with the leaf waste. Bags containing items other than leaf waste will not be picked up by the hauler.
3. Place the leaf bags at the curb or street side where normal trash is picked up. The leaf bags and leaf waste will be picked up. The bags will not be dumped and returned.