Brush Pick Up Guidelines

According to Ordinance No. 2005-12, Section 90-349 the following criteria must be met before the Brush Truck will pick up any roadside brush:

1. Building debris, such as scrap lumber, plaster, roofing, concrete, brickbats, and other such matter resulting from the construction, repair or remodeling of any building or appurtenances on private property, dirt, stumps and tree trunks, will NOT be removed by the sanitation department, but the owner or contractor must cause this waste to be privately moved.
2. Each residence within the city limits of Alexander City will receive one free pickup of general household contents or yard wastes per month.
3. All tree limbs shall be placed with all tops in the same direction. Limbs must be cut in 16-foot lengths or less and no larger than six inches in diameter. Limbs or trees larger than six inches in diameter will be stacked separately with all tops placed in the same direction and must be cut in 16-foot lengths.
4. Residential limb customers must place all limbs by the roadway or street’s edge away from obstruction such as overhead electrical, telephone or cable television lines. Tree limbs and vegetation must be from existing yards.
5. All grass cuttings, pine straw and leaves shall be securely tied in plastic bags. These plastic bags should be of such quality and thickness as to contain all contents when they are picked up by hand or by mechanical devices.
6. This service is not provided for contract work such as tree surgeons, tree trimmers, pulpwooders, plumbers, building contractors or roofing contractors. Neither is it for rubbish accumulations from private construction or tearing down existing structures.
7. The brush truck will be utilized for curbside pickup of yard waste and household contents only. These wastes must be loaded easily from a public street. The Waste Management Department reserves the right to deny any load, or part of a load, based on the character of the waste or any other violation of the intent of this ordinance or of the compliance requirements of the landfill.
8. No refrigerators, air conditioners, freezers or similar appliances containing freon will be picked up by city crews or accepted at the landfill. It is the responsibility of the owner to have such items removed and disposed by dealer or license specialist.

Updated Information:

1. Treated lumber and wire (barbed, electrical, etc.) are no longer accepted in the City’s landfill.
2. Yellow warning slips will be given to residents for brush piles that do not comply with the above criteria.

If anyone has any questions or concerns please contact Gerard Brewer, Director of Public Works, at (256) 409-2020.