



NEWS RELEASE

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DEBRIS DISPOSAL OPTIONS FOR COVINGTON RESIDENTS

Covington, WA – The ice storm that swept across the Northwest has left an aftermath of debris on city streets and on private property throughout Covington. While the City of Covington Public Works Department is sweeping across the city over the next few weeks to collect and dispose of debris that has landed on city rights-of-way, there are several options for residents and businesses to dispose of their debris.

Curb-Side Yard Waste – available to all residents including non-Allied Waste customers

Allied Waste will accept a double load of yard debris* on the next regularly scheduled collection day only if your yard waste collection was missed on your last regularly scheduled yard waste collection day. Residents can put storm debris into their yard containers, but the material must be smaller than four inches in diameter or four feet in length.

If a customer does not have yard waste service, Allied Waste offers a one-time pick up at the rate of \$8.00 for the first unit and \$1.25 each additional unit with a limit of 10 units. Yard waste should be in 32 gallon containers. Yard waste that does not fit into a container needs to be bundled in four feet long by four inches in diameter, or placed in yard waste bags. All containers, bundles or bags of yard waste should not exceed 60 pounds.

Roll-off containers (large containers dropped off by the hauler) can be delivered for storm debris where there are larger volumes or where homeowners' associations want to provide a neighborhood point for debris drop-off. Contact Allied Waste at 206-652-8823 for fees and container delivery.

Cedar Grove Composting

Cedar Grove is located at 17825 Cedar Grove Rd SE, Maple Valley, WA 98038 (unincorporated Maple Valley). They are reducing their fee for storm debris to \$10 a ton with a \$10 minimum. Please note, this is for storm debris only and not intended for individuals that may have previously existing stock piles of woody material. If residents have multiple loads and do not make the minimum in one load, they can leave a check or credit card and do a total tally at the end of their loads. Limbs and wood need to be cut to four foot minimum length and less than 24 inches in diameter. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. with additional drop off times on Saturday. For additional information call 877-764-5748, email infocg@cgcompost.com, or visit www.cedar-grove.com. Residents may or may not have to unload their own material depending on staff availability.

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Rainier Wood Recyclers – FREE for Senior Citizens

Rainier Wood is located at 27529 Covington Way SE, Covington, WA 98042 (across from Costco) and will accept storm debris for a reduced fee for the next month. Fees will be \$5 per cubic yard with a \$10 minimum and free drop-off for senior citizens. At this facility residents have to unload their own material. Hours are Monday through Friday, 7 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m.-4 p.m. To accommodate the storm clean up they will also be open on the next two Sundays 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Additional information is available at their website at www.rainierwood.com or by calling 253-333-0333.

Pacific Top Soils

Pacific Top Soils is located at 21700 SE Lake Francis Road, Maple Valley, WA 98038 (unincorporated Maple Valley) and accepts storm debris. Fees are \$20.60 per cubic yard and hours are Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., closed Saturday and Sunday. Residents have to unload their own material at this facility. For additional information call 425-337-2700 or visit www.pacifictopsoils.com.

Clean Up and Hauling Services

Firms that will pick up and haul debris for a fee can be located at King County's "What do I do with...?" website at <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/wdidw/index.asp>. Select the category for landscaping/land clearing. For yard clean up services, refer to local newspapers' advertisement sections or the local phone company yellow pages. Check these resources often as the area demand may result in reduced fees and extended hours.

Please check the city's website at www.CovingtonWA.gov or the city's Facebook page at www.Facebook.com/CityofCovington for updated information as it is received.

**Allied Waste will also accept double the amount of trash and recycling on your next scheduled pick-up day if your last scheduled pick-up was cancelled due to the weather. If your pick-up was not missed, you can still place extra trash for \$2.39 per item and extra recycling items are free.*

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