

# Dartmouth's SMART Program yard waste schedule, pumpkins & cornstalks

*Dartmouth Residents Can Set Out Pumpkins & Cornstalks with Yard Waste.*

Give your unpainted Halloween pumpkin and cornstalks second lives by setting them out with the Town of Dartmouth's yard waste pickup. Or place them in your backyard compost bin.

The remaining fall dates for the Town of Dartmouth's SMART Program curbside yard waste collection follows: the Monday & Tuesday Solid Waste Collection routes have yard waste collection on Friday, October 28, 2022, and November 18, 2022. The Wednesday & Thursday Solid Waste Collection routes have yard waste collection on October 21, 2022, November 4, 2022, and December 2, 2022.

Pick-up begins at 7 a.m. All pumpkins, cornstalks, grass, leaves, and yard clippings must be placed in paper bags, loose in barrels, or corrugated boxes. Please do not make bags, barrels, or boxes too heavy. Pumpkins, cornstalks, and yard waste may also be brought to the Water Pollution Control Facility at 759 Russells Mills Road, Dartmouth. A Transfer Station Sticker is required and available free of charge to SMART customers. Hours for the leaf compost area are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 7:30 a.m. – 3:15 p.m. and Saturdays 7:30 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

The yard waste from Dartmouth residents is delivered to the Crapo Hill Landfill where it is composted. If you made a jack-o'-lantern, remove all lights and other items before placing the pumpkin out for yard waste collection. Please remove any twine, rope, wire, or decorations from cornstalks. This is so the finished compost will be free of unwanted items that will

not easily breakdown into nutrient-rich soil amendment.

Also, pumpkins and cornstalks can also be placed in your backyard compost bin along with fruit and vegetable scraps, coffee grounds and coffee filters, eggshells, tea bags that tear, grass, leaves, and twigs. Dartmouth residents may purchase compost bins at the Crapo Hill Landfill Scale House, 300 Samuel Barnet Blvd., New Bedford, Monday – Friday 7:15 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday 8-10:45 a.m. The Earth Machine and the New Age Composter are both available at a cost of \$25 each. Cash, check, or money order only. No credit or debit cards.

Call the Dartmouth DPW at (508) 999-0740 regarding trash, recycling, or yard waste collection. Contact the Greater New Bedford Regional Refuse Management District by email at [Marissa@gnbrmdistrict.org](mailto:Marissa@gnbrmdistrict.org) or by phone at (508) 979-1493 about composting, recycling, or waste reduction.