

Springfield Township

3298 Terminal Ave.
Springfield, IL 62707

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

Revised June 01, 2017

Piles of tree limbs should be no larger than three (3) feet high; four (4) feet wide and no longer than eight (8) feet

The Highway Commissioner will attempt to pick up limbs on an ongoing basis. The only exception will be in case of a natural disaster. Then limb pickup will become a priority.

We respectfully request your cooperation in this matter. If you plan to trim your trees, please plan accordingly. The Highway Commissioner's office has neither the man power nor the financial resources to pick up limbs on an ongoing basis. We also cannot and will not pick up large tree trunks or limbs with a circumference of 6 inches or more, as we have no equipment to chip the larger sizes. Any violation of this policy will be subject to a fine.

The Township requests that you be a good neighbor. Piles of brush can be an eyesore and detract from the neatness of your neighborhood. In some cases they can block the right-of-way and impose a health and safety hazard.

Prior to the passage of Public Act 93-109 in July 2003, it was illegal to use Township funds to pick up brush except by referendum. Even now we are limited in the amount of time and funds budgeted for the purpose of collecting, transporting and disposing of brush in accordance with the new law.

The Highway Commissioner's Office is proud of the Township and their employees who serve the community. Our goal is to keep our neighborhoods clean and safe.

You can call the Township at 523-4393 to make arrangements to deliver your brush to the Township at convenient times throughout the year.

Failure to abide by these rules can place property owners in violation of the Nuisance Ordinance. If you are found to be in violation of the Ordinance, brush and debris can be removed and the cost will be charged to the property owner. It is also the responsibility of residents to keep the ditches in front of their property clear of obstructions. If you burn leaves or brush in your ditch, please

remove the ashes so as not to block up the culverts or impede the natural flow of water.

FYI - As a community service, Springfield Township offers a "Dumpster Program". Items unacceptable to local waste haulers are accepted by the Township the first Saturday of every month. If the first Saturday falls on a Holiday weekend, the program will be scheduled for the following Saturday. If you are unsure about the dates, call the office to confirm Dumpster Day. There is a nominal fee of \$10 per pick-up truck load; \$15 for a pick-up truck with side boards; \$20 for a one ton truck or larger; \$20 for a trailer; \$2 per tire OFF THE RIMS (limit 4).

TOWNSHIP STAFF WILL DETERMINE PRICING

Photo ID/Proof of Residency Required
No Salvaging
No Commercial Dumping

Any questions can be answered by Highway commissioner office staff @523-4393 or Kim @525-1464 weekdays from 9:00 – 3:00.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Ron Smith
Highway Commissioner

Gary Budd
Supervisor