

# How do I manage yard waste in Johnson County after Jan. 2012?

Beginning January 1, 2012, Johnson County residents will no longer be able to dispose of yard waste in landfills. Yard waste picked up at curbside must be composted or mulched. Residents can also choose to manage their yard waste on their own. Currently, 11% of what fills up a landfill is yard waste. Yard waste is easily composted and turned into a useful product rather than leaving it buried in a landfill forever.

## Conveniently Curbside

Most waste haulers plan to offer curbside yard waste collection services to their customers on a subscription basis. Yard waste will be required to be bagged and bundled appropriately for composting per instruction from your hauler. (See list on back for details.)

## Leave it on the Lawn

Leave grass clippings on the lawn with a mulching mower. Not only do the grass clippings help retain moisture, they also return up to 25% of the nitrogen needed to fertilize the soil. Leaves can also be mulched back onto the lawn with a mulching mower.

## Backyard Compost Bin

Leaves, grass clippings and even food waste can be easily managed on site by backyard composting. Compost can be used to fertilize lawns and gardens. Check with the K-State Extension Office for more information.

## Drop off locations

There are several locations in the area where residents can drop off yard waste for composting. Fees apply.

### **Suburban Lawn and Garden**

139th and Wyandotte, Kansas City, MO  
(816) 941-2438

### **Deffenbaugh Industries**

I-435 and Holiday Drive, Shawnee, KS  
(913) 631-3300

### **Planet Marrs Recycling**

Brush and limb only  
2701 Roe Lane, Kansas City, KS  
(866) 463-8997

### **City of Olathe Composting**

127th and Hedge Lane, Olathe, KS  
(913) 971-9311



Johnson County, KS Environmental Department : 913-715-6900  
[www.JoCoRecycles.org](http://www.JoCoRecycles.org)

# *Licensed Residential Haulers in Johnson County*

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<b>A-1 Disposal</b>	913-441-5400	<a href="http://www.a1disposalinc.com">www.a1disposalinc.com</a>
<b>Bumpy Roads Disposal</b>	913-727-1405	
<b>City of Olathe</b>	913-971-9311	<a href="http://www.olatheks.org">www.olatheks.org</a>
<b>Deffenbaugh Industries, Inc.</b>	913-631-3300	<a href="http://www.deffenbaughinc.com">www.deffenbaughinc.com</a>
<b>Gardner Disposal Service, Inc.</b>	913-856-3851	<a href="http://www.gardnerdisposalservice.com">www.gardnerdisposalservice.com</a>
<b>Honey Creek Disposal Service, Inc.</b>	913-369-8999	<a href="http://www.honeycreekdisposal.com">www.honeycreekdisposal.com</a>
<b>L&amp;K Services, Inc.</b>	913-837-4637	<a href="http://www.lktrashservices.com">www.lktrashservices.com</a>
<b>Ottawa Sanitation Service</b>	785-242-3227	<a href="http://www.ottawas sanitation.com">www.ottawas sanitation.com</a>
<b>Republic Services, Inc. (Allied Waste)</b>	913-281-4343	<a href="http://www.republicservices.com">www.republicservices.com</a>
<b>Superior Disposal Service</b>	913-406-9460	<a href="http://www.superiordisposalservice.com">www.superiordisposalservice.com</a>
<b>Town and Country Disposal</b>	816-380-5595	<a href="http://www.townandcountrydisposal.net">www.townandcountrydisposal.net</a>
<b>Wright Disposal</b>	913-533-2413	

There are also some companies that exclusively collect yard waste curbside from residential customers. (Johnson County does not license yard waste only haulers.)

<b>Compost Connections</b>	816-761-8300	<a href="http://www.compostconnection.com">www.compostconnection.com</a>
<b>Nature's Rubbish</b>	816-444-4050	<a href="http://www.naturesrubbish.com">www.naturesrubbish.com</a>
<b>Lawn Corps</b>	816-761-3046	<a href="http://www.lawncorps.com">www.lawncorps.com</a>
<b>Infinity Compost</b>	816-349-5302	<a href="http://www.infinitycompost.com">www.infinitycompost.com</a>