

PRESS RELEASE

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YARD WASTE

The Town of Vernon will no longer collect yard waste curbside. You may dispose of the following items at the Transfer Station on a weekly basis **free of charge**. The Transfer Station is open on Wednesday and Saturday – 8 AM – 4 PM; and Sunday – Noon – 4 PM.

- 1) Two bundles of brush.
- 2) One bag of weeds, twigs, tree trimmings, pine cones, pine needles.

You must show proof of residency to enter the Transfer Station.

Please note the following in regard to grass clippings.

Grass clippings will no longer be accepted at any resource recovery facility or solid waste facility in Connecticut.

The Department of Environmental Protection suggests that residents recycle or compost their grass clippings. This would mean leaving grass clippings on the lawn, which would reduce watering, thatching, and applying fertilizers. Composting would mean layering various vegetative wastes, including the grass clippings, kitchen scraps and other yard trimmings in home compost bins to produce mulch, which can be used in gardens and around shrubs.

Under no circumstances are grass clippings or anything else to be put down storm drains.

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