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## NORFOLK SOLID WASTE DIVISION LENDS A HAND DURING SPRING CLEANING

The Norfolk Solid Waste Division is lending a hand to residents in an effort to make spring cleaning a little bit easier. From Monday, April 1, until Monday, April 15, the City will be providing a 2-week “Spring Clean-Up” period for residents to bring old appliances and clean concrete for disposal. Some items may be disposed of for free, and some will require a fee, depending on the type of product. Listed below are acceptable appliances during the “Spring Clean-Up” period:

Clean concrete and brick, must not have any dirt or rebar sticking out.

### **Appliances/metal items for free disposal, by residents, during Spring Clean-Up:**

- Refrigerator/Freezer
- Window air conditioners
- Dehumidifiers
- Stoves
- Ovens
- Clothes Washer
- Clothes Dryers
- Furnaces
- Microwaves
- Hot Water Heaters
- Trash Compactors
- Vending Machines
- Lawn mowers
- Bicycles
- Auto batteries (cases must not be broken)

**\*Note; Empty all appliances of waste, NO food or clothes are allowed.**

**Items NOT accepted during Spring Clean-Up:**

- Radioactive
- Oil filters/paint cans/aerosol cans
- Compressed Cylinders and vessels. (Water Softener tanks, Propane tanks, Fire Extinguishers, Refrigerants, Oxygen, Acetylene, argon etc.)
- Light Ballasts
- Transformers
- Anything that contains PCB or Mercury
- Anything that contains Asbestos

**Items with disposal fee during Spring Clean-Up:**

- Plastic dishwashers
- Trash
- Tires
- TV/Computers

**Yard items with disposal fee during Spring Clean-Up:**

- Painted or treated wood, posts, railroad ties
- Any type of landscape rocks or cloth/plastic
- Yard waste containing trash

Yard Waste and brush is now accepted at no cost to the residents of Norfolk, by-pass the scale and go directly to the unloading area by following the signs. There are two areas for disposal, one for yard waste which includes grass, leaves, flowers, and garden plants. The other area is for brush, bushes, and tree trimmings. This does not include landscape timbers, sod, rocks, dirt, edging, or fabric.

All commercial or out of town customers must still enter the scale and pay for disposal.

The Norfolk Transfer Station's normal hours are from 7:30 am until 5:00 pm Monday through Friday, and from 7:30 am until noon on Saturdays. Yard Waste area will be open additional hours during the Spring Clean-up; Saturday's until 4:30 pm and Thursday evenings until 8:00 pm. The Transfer Station is located at 610 E. Monroe Avenue. During this "Spring Clean-Up", residents are asked to bypass the weigh scale and follow the signs to the designated areas with accepted items. All customers with items that have a fee must enter on the scale.

Compost is still available, see attached flyers.

If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact the Solid Waste Division at 402-844-2230.



# Free YARD WASTE DISPOSAL

for Norfolk Residents

What to Bring...

				
grass clippings	leaves	garden waste	flowers	brush

Unload yard waste on  
pad designated  
"compost"



Unload brush in  
designated "brush"  
area



Residents may by-pass the stop sign and scale when disposing of yard waste. Please follow all other signs when bringing waste to the Transfer Station. Thank you!



City of Norfolk Transfer Station  
600 E. Monroe Avenue | Norfolk, NE 68701 | 402-844-2230  
Hours: M-F 7:30 am - 5:00 pm, Sat, 7:30 am - noon

# FREE COMPOST

From April 1 through November 30 of each year, State law prohibits mixing grass clippings and leaves with household trash headed for the Coalition landfill. The City of Norfolk Transfer Station turns the yard waste into a beneficial organic compost for residential use.

Organic compost is produced primarily from grass clippings, leaves and wood chips. Compost is a humus-like material that looks like dark topsoil and may contain small amounts of sticks or woody material. It has an earthy aroma and is high in organic matter and contains other nutrients such as phosphorus and potassium.

Organic compost will improve the health of your soil and its structure. Beneficial microbes in compost aide in reducing soil diseases. Compost decreases the bulk density of the topsoil and increases moisture retention in soil.

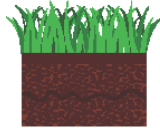


Plants will benefit from healthy soils. Organic compost promotes increased root and leaf development and flower, fruit, or vegetable production.



## IMPROVING CLAY AND SANDY SOILS

Applying organic compost to clay or sandy soils will improve the porosity, water holding capacity, and nutrient content and add beneficial microorganisms to the soil. Application rates depend on the amount of clay or sand in the soil.



## BLENDING TOPSOIL/ ESTABLISHING NEW LAWNS

When making blended topsoil, the recommended mixture is one part compost mixed with four parts soil. To establish a new lawn, apply one inch of organic compost to the topsoil, and mix thoroughly within the subsoil.



## FLOWER AND VEGETABLE GARDENS

Compost may be used to enrich the soil in flower and vegetable gardens. Apply a one-inch layer of compost over the entire garden area and till into six inches of soil.

## COMPOST AVAILABILITY

Compost is available free of charge on a first come, first served basis for those who load it themselves. This can be done anytime during operating hours. The Transfer Station will load small loads for \$10.00 per load. Loading is only available Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**NORFOLK AREA SOLID  
WASTE TRANSFER STATION**

 600 East Monroe Avenue

 402-844-2231

 **HOURS:**

**Monday - Friday** 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Saturday** 7:30 a.m. - noon

  
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