

**§ 16-3. YARD WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM.**

**§ 16-3.1. Purpose. [Ord. 12/1/05, § 1]**

The purpose of this section is to establish a yard waste collection and disposal program in the Borough of Rumson, so as to protect public health, safety, and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

**§ 16-3.2. Definitions. [Ord. 12/1/05, § 1]**

For the purpose of this section, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this section clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

CONTAINERIZED — Shall mean the placement of yard waste in biodegradable bags only, such as to prevent the yard waste from spilling or blowing out into the street and coming into contact with stormwater.

PERSON — Shall mean any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.

STREET — Shall mean any street, avenue, boulevard, road, parkway, viaduct, drive, or other way, which is an existing State, County, or municipal roadway, and includes the land between the street lines, whether improved or unimproved, and may comprise pavement, shoulders, gutters, curbs, sidewalks, parking areas, and other areas within the street lines.

YARD WASTE — Shall mean leaves, brush, and thatch, but does not include grass clippings.

**§ 16-3.3. Yard Waste Collection. [Ord. 12/1/05, § 1]**

Sweeping, raking, blowing or otherwise placing yard waste that is not containerized at the curb or along the street is only allowed during the seven days prior to a Borough scheduled and announced collection, and shall not be placed closer than 10 feet from any storm drain inlet. Placement of such yard waste at the curb or along the street at any other time, or in any other manner is a violation of this section. If such placement of the yard waste occurs, the party

responsible for placement of the yard waste must remove the yard waste from the street or said party shall be deemed in violation of this section.

**§ 16-3.4. Container Required. [Ord. 12/1/05, § 1]**

The owner or occupant of any residential property shall provide biodegradable bags for contractors of such owner or occupant engaged to provide lawn care or landscaping services should the schedule of work on the property preclude compliance with "seven day rule" for placement of yard waste along the street.

**§ 16-3.5. Prohibited Acts. [Ord. 12/1/05, § 1]**

- a. Placement of grass clippings at the curb or along the street at any time.
- b. Placement of yard waste at curb or along the street prior to Borough scheduled periods as specified in this section.
- c. Placement of brush at the curb or along the street from November through March of the following year.
- d. Placement of leaves at the curb or along the street in the months of January, February, March, July and August.
- e. Placement of yard waste within 10 feet from any storm drain.
- f. Containers shall not be placed at street curb at any time except on the Borough scheduled pickup date.

**§ 16-3.6. Enforcement. [Ord. 12/1/05, § 1; Ord. No. 08-016G, § 1]**

The provisions of this section shall be enforced by the Police Department of the Borough of Rumson or Code Enforcement.

**§ 16-3.7. Violations and Penalties. [Ord. 12/1/05, § 1; Ord. No. 08-016G, § 1]**

Any person(s), firms(s) or corporation(s) who violates or neglects to comply with any provisions of this section or any rule or regulation pursuant thereto, shall be subject to the penalty as stated in Chapter 3, Section 3-1.