

Trash Can and Street Sweeping Facts:

- ✓ Street sweepers regularly clean your neighborhood streets of trash, dirt, and leaves. Keeping litter and debris out of the storm drains is the purpose of the city's street sweeping program.
- ✓ The sweepers cannot sweep the streets and gutters if there are trash cans or other objects in the way. You can help us be effective in keeping your neighborhood clean by moving your vehicles and removing trash cans from the curbside or street during the hours your street is swept.
- ✓ The City of Lindsay Municipal Code (L.M.C.) requires that trash cans not be placed curbside prior to seven p.m. on the day prior to the collection and that they shall be removed from the curb prior to midnight on the day of the collection.
- ✓ Low hanging trees and shrubs can prevent sweepers from cleaning in front of your home. Per L.M.C.: All trees and shrubs adjacent to the streets of the city shall be pruned and trimmed by the adjacent property owner in such a manner that the branches thereof shall not hang below a height of eight and one-half feet above the top of the curb of the city street, and seven feet over the top of the sidewalk.
- ✓ Although street sweepers do NOT clean streets that do NOT have curbs and gutters, citizens are encouraged to help keep our streets clean by removing trash, soil and debris.

What You Can Do To Help Sweep Our Streets!

DOs	DON'Ts
DO move your trash can, car, boat or RV to allow cleaning at the curb & gutter.	DON'T place large trash items, i.e. tree branches, wood, tires, etc. in the sweeper path that can damage the sweeper.
DO remove any and all obstructions from the curb and gutter, i.e., cans, bicycles, skateboards, etc. before sweepers arrive.	DON'T sweep litter into the storm drain catch basins and inlets.
DO place all litter/garbage in the proper trash and recycling containers.	DON'T allow your gardener to blow trash and debris from your property into the streets. Instead REQUIRE proper disposal & place in Yard Waste Containers.
DO place garbage cans and recycling containers on the curb, not in the gutter/street.	DON'T place large leaf piles at the curb.
DO keep your trees trimmed so the branches hang no lower than 8 1/2 feet above the curb.	DON'T allow low hanging tree branches to interfere with your street being swept.
DO tell your neighbors to support street cleaning by observing the DOs and DON'Ts.	

Your Sweep Day

Residential streets are swept once a month between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. The roads south of Tulare Road are swept the **first** Friday of every month. The streets north of Tulare Road are swept the **third** Friday of every month. **November & December 2014**

Mark sweep days on your central family calendar or set a recurring reminder in your electronic calendar.

Move All Obstructions

Street sweepers remove harmful pollutants from the streets once a month, but debris collects daily. Moving your trash cans or vehicles on sweep day is the most important thing you can do to ensure clean streets for Lindsay. One parked car equals nearly three car lengths of space that can't be swept because the street sweeper must leave room to avoid it.

Tips to Keep Our Streets Clean and Protect the Watershed

Here are some additional things you can do, for a more effective sweep and to keep our streets clean between sweeps.

Pick up litter and other debris around storm drains to prevent them from causing flooding or washing into our storm drains.

Street sweepers avoid broken curbs and gutters, which damage their equipment. Repairing broken curbs and gutters is the homeowner's responsibility. For specifications or questions, contact the Department of City Services at (559) 562-7102 extension 4.

Spilled automotive fluids wash into our stormdrains. Protect our water and wildlife: maintain vehicles and prevent spills.

Fallen leaves collected by the street sweeper end up in the landfill. Consider using them to make compost or as mulch under trees and bushes. Street sweepers drive around piles to avoid rocks or other unseen items that can damage their equipment. Place your yard trimmings and fallen leaves in your green waste cans.

Street sweepers steer clear of low-hanging tree branches to avoid breaking them. Prune tree branches to at least eight and one half feet above the curb.

Sweeper Facts

- Sweepers protect our water quality by preventing over 3,800 tons of oil, metals, and debris from entering our watershed each year.
- Sweepers use high-tech vacuum technology, not water, to clean the streets. Only small amounts of water are used to control the dust generated during sweeping.
- Sweepers use 250 mph blasts of air to force small particles out of the street surface.