

**Prince Albert National Park
Parks Canada Agency
Yard Waste Directive**

- Date: April 18, 2011
- Subject: Yard Waste Collection
- Purpose:
- 1.1 To provide direction to Parks Canada Agency staff with respect to the provision of yard waste pickup and create a safe working environment.
 - 1.2 To provide timely yard waste pickup service to park residents and to allow Park staff to operate in an efficient manner.
 - 1.3 To prevent the creation of road hazards and public safety issues.
 - 1.4 To preserve the integrity of street cleaning work performed by Parks Canada.
- Background:
- 2.1 Currently Parks Canada picks up piles of leaves, grass and tree branches left by residents along the edges of property and beside garbage cans in the spring, summer and fall. In some instances this waste material creates a traffic hazard and puts staff and public at risk. Picking up yard waste is a time consuming task for Parks staff.

In 2007 signs were placed on waste collection bins, asking users not to pile material beside the bins.
- Policy:
- 3.1 Yard waste is defined as leaves, grass clippings, tree branches or other plant cuttings that are collected on any particular leasehold property in Waskesiu.
 - 3.2 In the spring of each year, **residential** leaseholders:
 - a) may pile yard waste on the edge of a their leasehold property that is abutting a street and adjacent to driveways accessing the leasehold property, but not on the street, nor on sidewalks or alley next to the leasehold property providing that this yard waste is piled appropriately on or before the **Friday following the May Victoria Day long weekend.** Such material will be loaded and hauled away by Parks Canada Staff and will not be required to be bagged.,

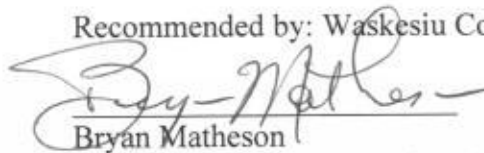
- b) commencing on the Saturday after the May Victoria Day long weekend and for the rest of any given year, must put yard waste in clear biodegradable plastic bags or paper bags designed for yard waste collection.
- c) when using bags for yard waste, shall place such bags on the edge of their leasehold property abutting a street and adjacent to driveways accessing the leasehold property, but not on the street, nor on a sidewalks or alley next to the leasehold property. Parks staff will pick up and haul this material away. Yard waste bags shall not weigh more than 20 kilograms. Should a bag weigh more than 20 kilograms, it will not be collected.
- d) must have tree branches cut in 4 foot lengths which are tied, or bundled and not weigh more than 20 kilograms to allow Parks staff to pick up and haul this material away. Tree branches do not have to be bagged.
- e) if, when dealing with a large amount of leaves, grass clippings or branches, wish to dispose of without bagging such material through the use of their own labour and equipment, may call Asset Management (306-663-4549) to make arrangements to access and haul such material to the composting site at the Parks staging area.

3.3 Commercial leaseholders or private operators performing yard maintenance on behalf of a commercial lessee must, at all times of the year,:

- a) bag yard waste and place such bags on the edge of their leasehold property abutting a street and adjacent to driveways accessing the leasehold property, but not on the street, nor on a sidewalks or alley next to the leasehold property. Parks staff will pick up and haul this material away.
- b) have tree branches cut in 4 foot lengths which are tied or bundled and not weigh more than 20 kilograms to allow Parks staff to pick up and haul this material away. Tree branches do not have to be bagged.

- c) if when dealing with a large amount of leaves, grass clippings or branches, wish to dispose of same without bagging such material through the use of their own labour and equipment, may call Asset Management (306-663-4549) to make arrangements to access and haul such material to the composting site at the Parks staging area.
- 3.4 This directive is being put advanced on a trial basis for the year 2011, and to be reviewed by the Waskesiu Community Council and Parks Canada in the fall of 2011.
- 3.5 This directive to take effect May1, 2011

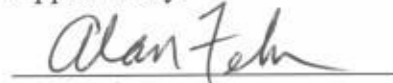
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