

City of Hamilton Public Works

Storm Damage Policy

In the event of a large storm, the City of Hamilton may decide to pick up storm damaged trees at the curb. That decision will be made by the Hamilton Public Works Committee.

Storm Damage Policy:

Storm damaged trees shall be placed on the right of way in front of the property in a single pile. This pile should be located away from fire hydrants, water shutoffs, telephone pedestals, sidewalks and other utility fixtures. Care should also be taken not to place the pile on a steep bank or in wet areas and cannot impeded traffic in any way.

The damaged trees should be cut in lengths no longer than 8' and no larger than 12" in diameter to facilitate being hauled in a dump truck. Any other debris that is mixed in with storm damaged trees will render the entire pile unacceptable for pick up and it will be left.

When able the Hamilton Public Works Department will make a single trip through Hamilton on the date given to residents. Any storm damaged trees that are not at the curb at that time will not be picked up. As the piles are picked up the street will be marked to signify that the pile has been picked up and staff will not return. Any trees that cannot be proven to have come from that property will also be denied being picked up.

If this policy is put in place the Public Works Department will put out the details to the public via one or all of these outlets City Hall, City web site or Public Works Facebook page.

Example of Notice: The City of Hamilton Public Works will put in place the storm damaged tree policy after last night's storm. Storm damaged trees must be cut into lengths not longer than 8' and the trees should be no larger than 12" diameter. The tree should be placed in a single pile on city right of way in front of the property. Care must be taken not to place the pile on or near fire hydrants, water shutoffs, phone pedestals or on steep hills or flooded areas. The pile should not be in the roadway or on sidewalks and should not impede traffic in any way. If any other debris is in the pile the entire pile will be denied pickup. The Public Works Department will start tomorrow June 27th, 2019 at the west edge of town and work towards the east end of town once the crews have been down your street they will not return. Please be respectful of this policy and the crews doing the work.