

# Don't Leaf Northborough's Water to Chance This Fall!



Fall leaves and yard waste can cause pollution and flooding when dumped or stored near wetlands, waterways or storm drains.

*Did you know, fallen leaves are loaded with natural fertilizer, which can cause water pollution that harms people and animals?*

Dumped leaves can also block storm drains and waterways, causing flooding.



## Keep Northborough's waterways clean and healthy this fall with a few simple steps.

- **Never** dump leaves in wetlands or waterways
- Bring leaves and grass clippings to the DPW garage at 190 Main Street for disposal
- Or compost your yard waste at home in an area away from wetlands and storm drains
- Keep paved areas and storm drains clear of leaves
- Make sure your lawn service is properly disposing of all your waste

More information about Northborough's grass and leaf disposal program is available at: <https://www.town.northborough.ma.us/highway-division/pages/grass-leaves>

More stormwater tips at [www.nmstormwater.org](http://www.nmstormwater.org)



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