The City of Auburn's Brush Chipping Policy

The City of Auburn's Department of Public Works (DPW) will be chipping brush once a week during the brush season which runs from April through October. The brush chipping will typically take place on Tuesdays but there may be an exception to this schedule due to other DPW projects that may need to be handled. The DPW will also allocate time to chipping brush in the event of tree damage and broken limbs due to high winds and or snow and ice buildup.

MATERIAL GUIDELINES

1. Brush must be set out by 7:30 am on the day of pickup

2. Brush should be in piles no more than four (4) feet wide by four (4) feet high.

3. Brush should be piled in the out lawn in a neat and orderly way with the cut ends facing the direction of traffic

4. Maximum branch diameter will be six (6) inches

5. Minimum branch length will be three (3) feet

6. Stumps will not be accepted

7. Any brush generated by a hired tree service will not be chipped

If brush was not picked up it was due to the fact that the property owner did not adhere to the material guidelines listed above. Smaller material such as twigs and sticks (1/2 inch in diameter or less and four (4) feet long or less) shall be neatly bundled together and tied. The garbage disposal company will remove it for you on Wednesdays.

Chipping is for limbs, and any small debris lying on the ground after pick up is the responsibility of the homeowner.

Brush left lying in the out lawn for an extended period of time will be considered in violation of the city's blight ordinance and will be handled as such. A notice will be mailed out and if said brush remains, the city will remove the brush and invoice the cost of removal back to the property owner.

Brush chipping is a service offered by the city to help the citizens of Auburn keep their property free of unwanted debris. This in turn helps the city to appear more appealing to the residents as well as visitors. Please adhere to the guidelines and don't abuse this service.