Public Service Announcement

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City of Edmonton

Chipping time Fir Christmas trees

Collection starts January 9

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The City of Edmonton will start collecting natural Christmas trees on January 9, 2014. Trees will be picked up for recycling within three weeks of this date, but not necessarily on residents' scheduled waste collection days.

Residents are asked to:

- Place their un-bagged tree on its side next to their garbage bags.
- Cut extra-large trees into two-metre (sixfoot) lengths.
 Remove ornaments, tinsel, garlands, nails, screws and tree stands, so that they are acceptable for composting.

Apartment and condo residents should take their natural Christmas trees to a <u>Recycling Depot</u> or to one of the City's three <u>Eco Stations</u> free of charge by January 31. Christmas trees should **NOT** be placed in, or near, apartment garbage or recycling bins

In 2013, 14,126 trees were collected for recycling. Trees are chipped and composted at the Edmonton Waste Management Centre. The City uses the wood chips to make various types of compost for horticulture, agriculture and land reclamation.

For information please call 311 or go to edmonton.ca/waste.

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