

# Public Service Announcement

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City of Edmonton

## Concerned about summer weight? Your collector is

Growing season is at its peak and as a result the City's waste collectors are dealing with high volumes of yard waste in addition to the usual household garbage.

On a typical summer day, a collector picks up an average of 3000 bags of garbage from more than 700 homes. That's about 22,000 kgs of garbage – the equivalent of lifting about 27 smart cars a day!



Grass clippings are the biggest contributor to waste volumes this time of year. Residents are encouraged to [Go Bagless](#) and leave the grass clippings on the lawn while mowing. It helps reduce waste, promotes healthy lawns, and reduces the number of heavy bags lifted by collectors.

For the safety of collectors, the City is reminding residents to please keep each garbage can or bag under 20 kilograms (44 pounds). Brush and tree trimmings should also be below this weight limit, bundled, securely tied, and no longer than 1.2 m (four feet).

For more information about waste collection please visit [edmonton.ca/wastecollection](http://edmonton.ca/wastecollection).

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