

**MULCHING LEAVES ISN'T A TRICK....**

**IT'S A TREAT FOR YOUR LAWN!**

**Fall Leaves and Other Organic Plant Material  
are Stormwater Pollutants!**

- **Leaves and yard debris left in the street contributes nutrients to stormwater runoff that causes serious water quality issues!**
- **Mulch leaves with a lawn mower. Leaves provide nutrients for healthy soil, more of nature's fertilizer.**
- **Keep storm drains clear of leaves. Make sure your lawn service is properly disposing of all waste.**
- **Amherst DPW provides paper leaf bags and pickup in the fall.**

**DON'T** blow or place leaves  
and yard debris in the  
street, sidewalk, storm  
drain, wetland, or  
waterbody!



**DO** compost your leaves or  
bag using the Town of  
Amherst paper bags availa-  
ble at the Transfer Station.

**740 Belchertown Rd.  
(Vehicle sticker required)**