

2023-24 Holiday Tree FAQs

1. When will holiday tree and greenery collection begin?

The Department of Public Works (DPW) will begin holiday tree and greenery collection on January 3, 2024, through March 2, 2024. Residents who normally receive DPW's trash and recycling service are eligible to receive curb side holiday tree and greenery collection.

2. Where should residents leave holiday trees and greenery?

DPW crews will collect these items from the curb side from in front of the home at the tree box or curb side where there is no tree box.

3. What is considered a residence serviced by DPW?

As defined by District of Columbia law, residences serviced by DPW are single-family homes and apartment buildings containing three residential housing units or fewer.

4. How should residents prepare holiday trees and greenery?

When setting out your holiday tree and/or greenery for collection, all ornaments and lights should be removed. Holiday trees and greenery should not be placed in a bag.

5. Do I need to schedule my holiday tree and greenery for collection?

No, holiday trees will be collected curb side from the front of DPW-serviced households beginning January 3, 2024, through March 2, 2024.

6. What if my tree was not collected as scheduled?

If your holiday tree and/or greenery was not collected within 7 days, call 311 to submit a "Christmas Tree Collection - Missed" service request.

7. Will holiday trees and greenery be composted?

Yes, holiday trees and greenery collected from January 3, 2024, through March 2, 2024, will be composted. This supports Mayor Bowser's Zero Waste initiative. Free compost – up to five 32-gallon bags – is available to District residents year-round, while supplies last, at the Fort Totten Transfer Station.

8. Where can I take my holiday tree for disposal?

Beginning, January 3, 2024, *Residents may drop their holiday trees and/or greenery at one of two convenient locations from January 3, 2023, March 2, 2024:*

- 201 Bryant St. NW (Roll off box)
- Guy Mason Recreation Center (3600 Calvert St NW)
- 2700 South Capital St., SE (Roll off Box)

Holiday trees and greenery set out at DPW serviced residences after Mach 2, 2024 should be placed at the normal point of collection for trash and recycling.