

Rake it...or leave it!

*Here's what to
do with your
yardful of
leaves...*



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Rake it! Follow the guidelines in your community for curb-side pick-up. If you're asked to put leaves in the street, wait until just before collection day. Never rake them into or near storm drains, ditches, creeks or the river. Decaying leaves use up the water's oxygen, harming aquatic inhabitants.

Leave it! Mulch leaves by running over them with your lawn mower at next cutting. Leaves and grass clippings are the best fertilizer for your lawn.

Or... rake it and leave it! Rake leaves into a compost pile for a nutrient-rich fertilizer to use on your garden next spring.

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It's that easy.



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Want more information? Call the Huron River Watershed Council at **734-769-5123** and ask for a free tip card.