



# Hurricane Season 2019 Is Upon Us Dunedin!

## What to do with debris left behind after the storm?! This is a topic that is rarely addressed along with storm preparation tips.

Thankfully, Hurricane Irma was not a flooding event for Dunedin, it resulted in primarily yard waste and fence debris. We learned a lot, but we are susceptible to a more dangerous storm, with much more debris. Fingers crossed we don't have to find out!

### But just in case:

Here are some tips to take special care in dealing with storm debris:

#### Prior to Hurricane season:

- Trim trees prior to the hurricane season to remove limbs that might break off during high winds
- Make the necessary repairs to fencing and other structures to reinforce their strength against high winds

#### Once a named storm is potentially approaching:

- Delay any landscape trimming until after the threat has passed
- If yard waste is on hand before the storm, DO NOT place it at the curb, since the material could potentially clog your street's storm water drainage or be picked up by high winds
- Stow garbage and recycling carts in a safe place

#### After the storm has passed:

- Dunedin stands ready to continue collecting your solid waste and recycling as soon as roads are clear and safe to travel
- If the storm event qualifies for FEMA Disaster Assistance, based on assessments from local emergency managers; storm debris pickup will be separate from your regular collection, conducted by FEMA contractors. If the storm does not qualify for FEMA assistance, regular collection ordinances apply
- Keep tuned into local news and social media for updates, be safe and help a neighbor if you can

*These tips are typically applicable to single family homes. Businesses, multi-family, mobile home parks, private communities, etc. may have different guidelines. Please confer with HOAs and management companies.*

## PICKING UP THE PIECES AFTER A NAMED STORM

Following these specific guidelines when hauling hurricane-related debris and household garbage to the curb will make for a speedier removal process



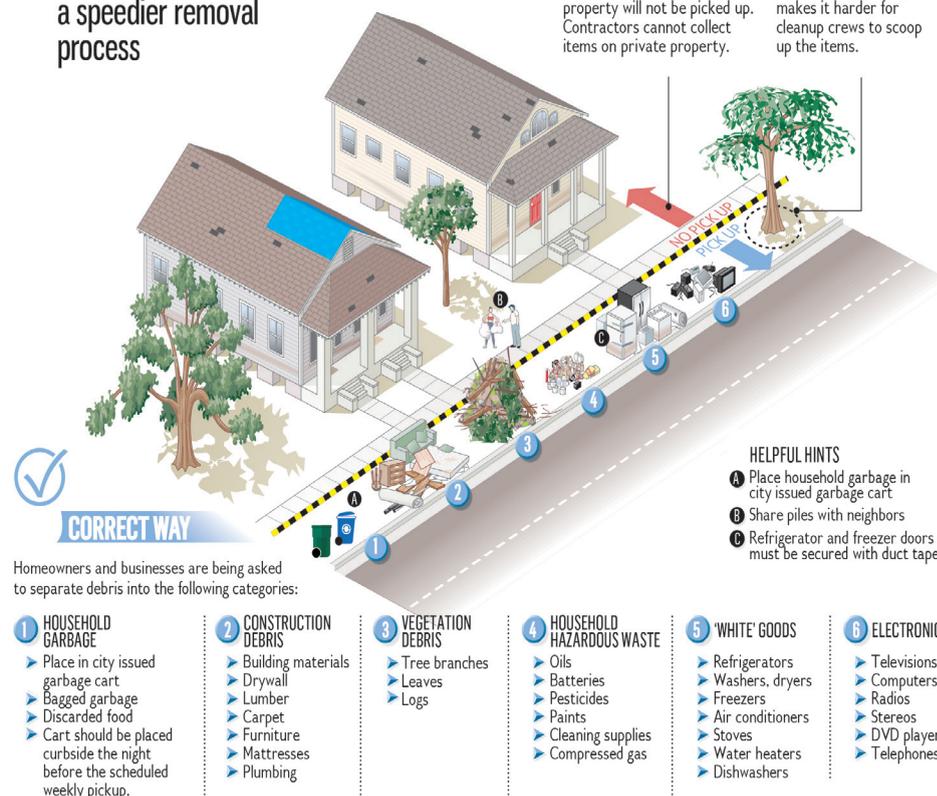
### WRONG WAY

#### CROSSING THE LINE

Any debris placed from the sidewalk toward your property will not be picked up. Contractors cannot collect items on private property.

#### PROPPING UP

Do not set debris against trees or poles. Doing so makes it harder for cleanup crews to scoop up the items.



Sources:  
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Engineers,  
debris removal  
contractors

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