INSECT PEST QUARANTINE ALERT

IPPM Insect Pest Prevention & Management

Oregon Department of Agriculture

Yard debris including grass clippings, plants with soil, and sod must be contained and delivered to a specific location to reduce the risk of spreading Japanese beetle in Oregon. Compost and transfer facilities ***ARE NOT ALLOWED*** to accept yard debris from the quarantine.

WHAT DO I DO WITH YARD DEBRIS?

Small Loads:

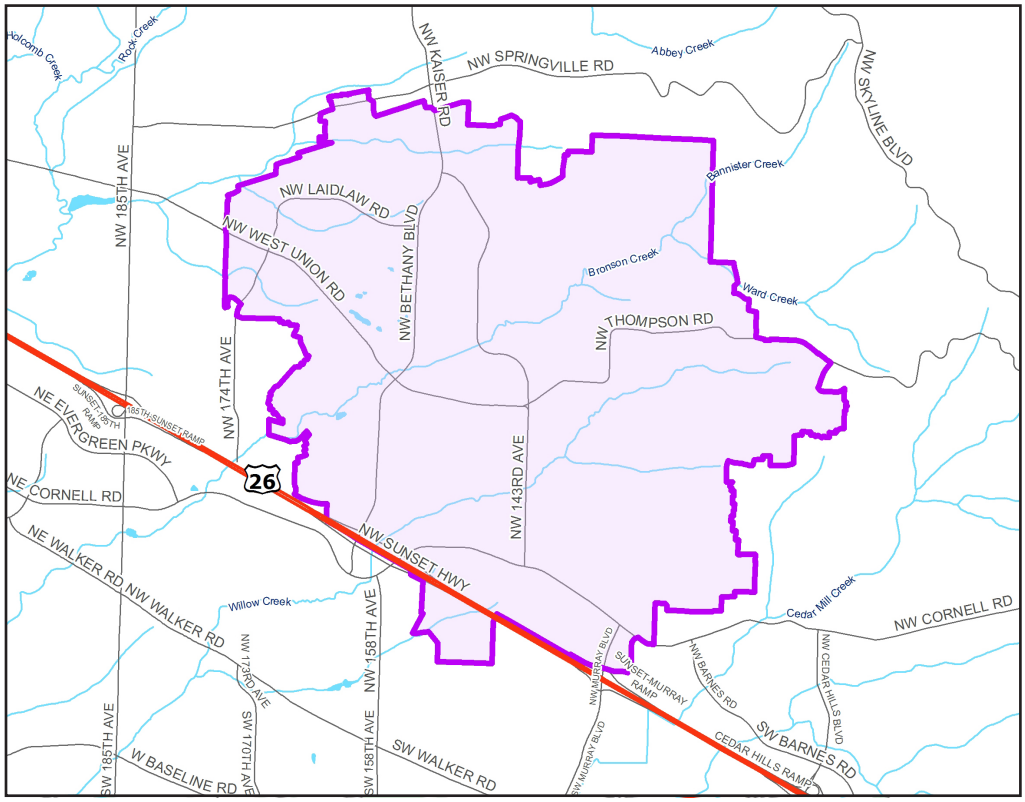
Use yard debris curbside cart

Waste Management, Pride, and Walker Garbage will remove all residential curbside yard debris and transport the contents directly to Hillsboro Landfill.

Large Loads:

Must use the **FREE** drop-off site at

Best Buy In Town Landscape Supply
2200 NW Cornelius Pass Rd.
Hillsboro, OR. 503-506-6256
June 1st - October 1st
Mon - Sat: 7:00am-4:30pm
Closed Sunday



Quarantined yard debris (Accepted at drop-off site)

- grass clippings
- plants with roots or soil attached
- sod or removed turfgrass
- growing media (i.e. potting soil from raised beds or pots, NOT fill dirt)
- compost
- bulbs or tubers of ornamental plants
- **any mixed loads containing the above material** (no loads containing garbage and non-plant material)

Yard debris and materials that DO NOT need special disposal

- fall (autumn) leaves from ground
- arbor waster or tree limbs greater than 2 inch diameter (no roots attached)
- shrubs prunings or clippings (no roots attached)
- fill dirt (cannot be accepted at BBIT)
- lumber or fence boards with dirt attached
- chipped material
- non-plant materials (for example: lumber, cement, gravel, and fencing)
- materials not on the list of quarantined debris or materials

If possible, keep yard debris on-site or use a curbside bin. However, if yard debris must be removed from the property, landscapers and residents should bag and cover the load and take it directly to Best Buy in Town.

The drop-off site is FREE, and is only available to quarantine residents and their landscapers to dispose of yard debris.

To find out if you are in the quarantine area, for more information, or to be added to our email list, please contact ODA at:
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Japanese Beetle Quarantine
Frequently Asked Questions

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Answers provided by Oregon Department of Agriculture, Insect Pest Prevention & Management program.

What is yard debris?

Any material from your yard or site that could transfer a life stage of the beetle (e.g. egg, larva, adult). This includes soil associated with plants (for example: soil attached to roots, soil under grass or sod, soil in outdoor pots, or topsoil from lawns or planting beds), growing media, humus, compost, all plants with roots, grass or grass clippings, and bulbs and tubers of ornamental plants.

What is a quarantine? What are the consequences for not adhering to the quarantine?

A quarantine is established against the pest known as Japanese beetle *(Popillia japonica)* per Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR 603-052-0127). The Oregon Department of Agriculture has the authority to take action should non-compliance result in the spread of the Japanese beetle.

Visit www.JapaneseBeetlePDX.info for more FAQs

Why are we concerned with the movement of yard debris out of the treatment area?

This pest is destructive to ornamental plants, turfgrass, and many of Oregon's specialty crop industries. Japanese beetle is currently contained in Washington County and movement of any yard debris increases the risk of the beetle traveling to currently unaffected locations in the state.

What do I tell my landscaper to do with yard debris?

All yard debris that does not go in the curbside bin should be bagged or covered, and taken directly to the Japanese beetle yard debris drop off site at Best Buy in Town. Please see the front of this flyer for operating hours.

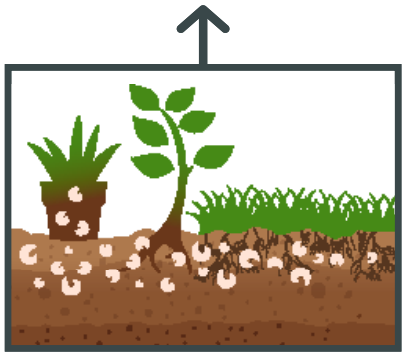
I live in the treatment area and would like to replace my sod or redo my landscaping. Where should my old sod or landscaping plants go?

Whenever possible leave landscaping material in place and postpone extensive landscaping activity until the end of the eradication project. If that is not an option, all material must be taken to Best Buy in Town.

HOW JAPANESE BEETLE IS MOVED

SEPTEMBER–MAY

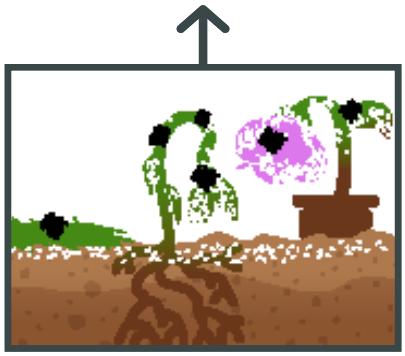
JAPANESE BEETLE LARVAE CAN BE FOUND IN SOD, TOP SOIL, ON ROOTS, AND IN POTTED PLANTS



Japanese beetle larvae feed on roots of grasses, severly damaging the plants. Japanese beetle larvae overwinter 4″ - 8″ below the surface.

JUNE–AUGUST

ANY YARD DEBRIS CAN MOVE BEETLES AND EGGS



Adult Japanese beetles feed on leaves, buds, and flowers of many common garden and landscape plants. Adult females commonly lay their eggs in well watered lawns.

Summer is the riskiest time to move yard debris and spread Japanese beetle

actual size 1″

actual size 3/8″