

ARTICLE III  
**Proper Handling of Yard Waste**  
**[Adopted 9-26-2006 by Ord. No. 2006-16]**

**§ 39B-35. Definitions.**

For the purpose of this article, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

CONTAINERIZED — The placement of yard waste in a trash can, bucket, bag or other vessel, such as to prevent the yard waste from spilling or blowing out into the street and coming into contact with stormwater.

PERSON — Any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this state subject to municipal jurisdiction.

STREET — Any street, avenue, boulevard, road, parkway, viaduct, drive, or other way, which is an existing state, county, or municipal roadway, and includes the land between the street lines, whether improved or unimproved, and may comprise pavement, shoulders, gutters, curbs, sidewalks, parking areas, and other areas within the street lines.

YARD WASTE — Leaves and grass clippings.

**§ 39B-36. Prohibited conduct.**

The owner or occupant of any property, or any employee or contractor of such owner or occupant engaged to provide lawn care or landscaping services, shall not sweep, rake, blow or otherwise place yard waste, unless the yard waste is containerized, in the street. If yard waste that is not containerized is placed in the street, the party responsible for placement of yard waste must remove the yard waste from the street or said party shall be deemed in violation of this article.

**§ 39B-37. Enforcement.**

The provisions of this article shall be enforced by the Mansfield Township Police Department.

**§ 39B-38. Violations and penalties.**

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this article shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$1,000.

**§ 39B-39. Severability.**

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this article is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this article to be unconstitutional, void or ineffective for any cause or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this article.

**§ 39B-40. Effective date.**

This article shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.