

# Litter Clean Up

# SAFETY GUIDELINES



Edmonton

This starter kit is meant for individuals or groups (approx. 1 kit per 10 people) who are picking up litter in the spring, summer and fall months. This kit includes everything to get you started.

The City of Edmonton has a zero tolerance policy regarding drugs and alcohol. It is important to understand that volunteers must not be under the influence of alcohol, cannabis or illicit drugs, and must not use these substances while performing volunteer work for the City of Edmonton.

**Please review these very important safety guidelines before partaking in any litter clean up activity.**

## 1 Preparing For Your Clean Up

- Wear gloves at all times
- Dress appropriately for the weather
- Wear sturdy footwear (no open toed shoes)
- Wear a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent
- Be familiar with your clean up area

## 2 During Your Clean Up

- **DO NOT** pick up needles/syringes, glass, sharp, heavy or oversized objects or hazardous waste. Call 311 to report the location so that the item may be collected by City staff.
- **DO NOT** approach homeless encampments, call 311 to report the location for clean-up.
- **DO NOT** compress garbage or reach into containers with hands or feet.
- **DO NOT** wade into the water to retrieve items.
- **DO NOT** walk on roadways or steep hills and embankments.
- **DO NOT** trespass on private property.
- **DO** pick up litter during daylight hours.
- **DO** try to work with a partner or group and carry a cell phone especially if working alone.
- **DO** report Graffiti by calling 311.
- **DO** remember to stay hydrated and wash your hands after your clean up.
- **DO HAVE FUN!**

# THANK YOU!

## for reducing litter in Edmonton

### 3 After Your Clean Up

- Place filled bags with your residential garbage OR
- Leave your filled bags in a location that is accessible by vehicle (ex: near a bus stop or street sign by the curb) and call 311 to report the location for pick up.

### 4 Report Your Stats; please keep track on your own:

- Time or hours spent picking up litter.
- The number of black and white bags you picked up each time you volunteered.
- Number of people picking up litter with you.
- Please report your stats by visiting [www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup](http://www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup).

Important Contact Information

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