

## SUGGESTED ORDINANCE CONTENTS

- Prohibit using leaf blowers to blow debris into the street at any time by any person.
- Prohibit the operation of leaf blowers except on stabilized surfaces.  
(Stabilized means: paved, covered with grass, covered with decorative rock or paving stones or mulch, or chemically treated in some way that limits the disturbance of loose or dusty surfaces)
- Require any person, who receives payment for services relating to operating a leaf blower, to complete training on how to properly operate the blower. This should include how to minimize the generation of dust emissions. (Local trade schools can provide this training for a nominal fee.)
- Produce [printed materials](#) designed to educate and inform operators on safe and efficient leaf blower use. Any person who rents or sells leaf blower equipment must provide this information to the renter or buyer.
- Disallow the use of any gasoline-powered leaf blower that does not meet emission requirements set in effect January 1, 2005. This will bring exhaust emission limits down to the lowest level required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the California Air Resources Board (CARB). Units built after that date will have its hydrocarbon exhaust emission lowered by 85 to 90% from previously untreated engines. (The build date for an engine can be determined from the [emission label](#).)
- Disallow gasoline-powered leaf blowers that are not quiet or 65 dB(A) or less as [labeled](#) on the unit by the manufacturer.
- Allow the use of battery-powered leaf blowers.
- Set reasonable and acceptable days and hours of use.