

ORDINANCE NO: 2025-06

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LAPEL,  
INDIANA, ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE COLLECTION OF  
TREE LIMBS AND BRANCHES**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Lapel, Indiana, desires to maintain clean and safe neighborhoods and support responsible yard maintenance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council finds it necessary to establish regulations for the collection of tree limbs and branches by the Town.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Lapel, Indiana, as follows:

**SECTION 1. PURPOSE**

This ordinance establishes regulations for the collection of tree limbs and branches by the Town of Lapel in order to maintain clean and safe neighborhoods and support responsible yard maintenance.

**SECTION 2. REGULATIONS FOR LIMB PICK-UP**

**A. Eligible Materials**

Limb pick-up is intended for:

- Naturally fallen limbs due to weather or decay
- Small-scale tree trimming done by the resident

**Limb pick-up is not intended for full tree removal.** Residents or contractors removing entire trees must dispose of all resulting debris privately.

The following materials are **not eligible** for Town pick-up:

- Thorny vegetation (e.g., rose bushes, thorny shrubs)
- Grass clippings, leaves, garden or landscaping waste
- Tree stumps or logs larger than permitted size

**B. Size Restrictions**

1. Each residential address may place **one (1) pile** of limbs for collection at a time.
2. The maximum allowable pile size is **3 feet by 3 feet by 3 feet (3' x 3' x 3')**.
3. No individual limb or branch may exceed **4 inches in diameter**.
4. Exceptions will be made in the event of storm damage or other natural disaster.

### **C. Placement**

Limb piles must be placed curbside in a safe and orderly manner that does not obstruct sidewalks, streets, storm drains, or visibility at intersections.

## **SECTION 3. COLLECTION SCHEDULE**

Limb pick-up will be conducted by the Town on a schedule determined and published by the Town Council or its designee. Residents must follow the posted schedule to ensure collection.

## **SECTION 4. ADDITIONAL SERVICES AND FEES**

- A. If a resident requires removal of a limb pile that exceeds the size, quantity, or material restrictions described in Section 2, the resident may request an additional pick-up service, subject to Town availability.
- B. The fee for additional pick-up services is **\$200.00 per hour**, with a **one-hour minimum charge**. This rate includes labor and equipment costs.
- C. Residents requesting additional services must complete a service request form and agree to the associated charges. Payment is due within thirty (30) days of service.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council of the Town of Lapel, Indiana, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

### **TOWN OF LAPEL, INDIANA, BY ITS TOWN COUNCIL**

Voting Affirmative:

Voting Opposed:

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Brian Robertson, President

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Gary Shuck, Vice President

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Chad Blake, Member

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Lindsey Washmuth, Member

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Roger Fouse, Member

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ATTEST:

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Teresa Retherford, Clerk-Treasurer

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