



Orange
County
Answers

FACT Sheet

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Mowing, Trimming Vegetation, Trash & Debris Removal

Mowing Right-Of-Ways

The Orange County Roads & Drainage Division routinely mows right-of-ways, secondary drainage ditches, and non-Municipal Services Taxing Unit (MSTU) retention ponds, on a six-to-eight-week mowing cycle when the weather permits.

Orange County does not maintain areas around mailboxes and privately owned fence lines. Sidewalks and curbs are scheduled for edging on an as-needed basis.



required around streetlights should be referred to the appropriate power company serving the area in question.

Crews from the Orange County Roads & Drainage Division may provide notice using door hangers if extensive trimming will be done in your area or on right-of-way property adjacent to private property. Often this notice provided in case citizens would like to trim the vegetation on their own.

Tree and Vegetation Trimming

The Roads & Drainage Division trims trees and other vegetation so as not to interfere with the safe passage of pedestrians or vehicles in public right-of-ways.

Trees are trimmed to a height of 14-feet over roadways and 10-feet over sidewalks. We also trim them so they do not hang over the sides of roads, sidewalks, or block traffic lights.

Vegetation is also trimmed so as not to impair the clear sight distance of a driver approaching the roadway from side streets and driveways. To provide a clear sight distance, we trim vegetation obstructing the driver's view between 3-feet and 6-feet in height.

Any tree trimming required in an utility easement (*because of interference with either the power or phone lines*) needs to be referred to the appropriate utility company. Any tree trimming

Trash & Debris Removal

When trash or debris is reported to Public Works or is found on Orange County Right-of-Ways, it is inspected by a County representative. It is then determined what procedure needs to be followed:

- The Roads & Drainage Division schedules road crews to pick-up trash and debris both on a scheduled basis, or on an as-needed basis, weather permitting.
- If trash or debris accumulates in front of private property and is placed on County right-of-way, the property owner will be sent a letter requesting the trash or debris be removed from County Right-of-Way within a designated time.
- If the property owner does not remove the trash or debris from the Right-of-Way within the designated time, a second letter is sent and future action is taken. 🐾



Public Works Roads & Drainage Division is responsible for mowing, trimming, and clearing trash from County Right-of-Ways.