



City of Pasadena
Planning & Community Development Department
Code Compliance Division
175 N Garfield Ave. 3rd Floor Pasadena Ca 91101

LEAF BLOWER ORDINANCE

PMC 9.37.030

9.37.030 - Prohibition.

A. It is unlawful for any person to use or to operate, or cause to be operated any type of leaf-blowing machine or device within a residential area before 8:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; before 9:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m. on Saturday; or at any time on Sunday.

B. It is unlawful for any person to use or allow to be used, or to operate or cause to be used or operated any type of leaf-blowing machine or device in the city within a radius of 500 feet of a residential area before 8:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; before 9:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m. on Saturday; or at any time on Sunday.

C. It is unlawful for any person to use or operate, or cause to be used or operated, a leaf blower in such a manner as to blow, dispel or make airborne, leaves, grass cuttings, paper, trash or any other type of unattached debris or material, which, by use of the leaf blower, will intentionally cause such leaves, grass cuttings, paper, trash or any other type of unattached debris or material to become airborne or travel beyond the property boundaries of the parcel on which it is being used, to adjoining properties or public rights-of-way within the city, and to remain there for more than 15 minutes.

D. It is unlawful to operate more than one leaf blower per parcel.

E. It is unlawful to operate a leaf blower for more than 15 minutes per hour on a parcel less than 1/2 acre, and for more than 30 minutes per hour on a parcel greater than 1/2 acre.

F. It is unlawful to operate a leaf blower with a maximum noise level of 65 decibels when measured from a distance of 50 feet.

(Ord. 6845 § 3, 2000; Ord. 6227 § 1 (part), 1987)