Tree Debris and Cleanup

To help ensure reliable service and minimize power outages, it's important that DEMCO maintain trees and other vegetation along the power lines that deliver electricity to thousands of households and businesses. The following information will help members understand what happens during and after tree and vegetation management.

When	Comments	What We Take Away (DEMCO's Responsibility)	What We Leave Behind (Member's Responsibility)
After a Storm, Significant Weather Event or Outage	DEMCO does not clean up tree/vegetation debris in these instances. Our top priority is to clear trees and vegetation from power lines and hardware in order to safely restore power.	No Debris	All Debris
After Scheduled Maintenance	Maintained Areas (e.g. yards, mowed fields, driveways, or roads).	Small Debris (3 inches or less in diameter) - will be chipped.	No Debris
		Large Debris (greater than 3 inches in diameter),*	If member desires, debris can be left on site.
	Unmaintained Areas (e.g. wood lots and natural areas).	No debris	All Debris - Will be mowed or mulched with specialized equipment and left onsite to naturally decompose.
After Removing a Dead or Hazardous Tree	Includes both maintained and unmaintained areas.	No debris	All Debris - If member desires (and at discretion of DEMCO) debris can be cut into sections of not less than 36 inches.
After Maintenance Requested by a Member	Only requests deemed by DEMCO to be its responsibility will be honored.	Small Debris (3 inches or less in diameter) - will be chipped.	Large Debris (greater than 3 inches in diameter).

* Large debris will typically be removed from the site within 48 hours. If the debris is unable to be removed within 48 hours, the member will be notified.