

## Wood Chips – Frequently Asked Questions

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### **What are wood chips?**

Wood chips are created by putting tree branches through a brush chipper. A load of chips contains chips, leaves and twigs. The chips are up to 3 inches in length.

### **What kind of trees are the chips made from?**

The chips are from all types of trees found in the Phoenix area.

### **What quantity of wood chips do you deliver?**

We deliver 20 cubic yards with each delivery. That's a pile approximately 12 ft. X 8 ft. X 6 ft. The chips can fluff up to twice their truck volume when raked out. It takes two or three people two or three hours to rake out by hand. A small tractor can save some time and labor. Smaller loads are occasionally available as our schedule permits. If we're in your area with a half load, it might work out to deliver a smaller quantity. Email or call us with your request and location.

### **How can I use the wood chips?**

There are many uses. Chips can be composted and used as a quality finished top soil product. They can also be used to improve soil quality by incorporating them immediately into soil before final construction grading. They can be spread on roads, driveways and paths for dust and weed control or to prevent rutting. They also provide a great mulch around trees and shrubs.

### **Do wood chips have any environmental benefits?**

Yes. Wood chips increase soil fertility and reduce water loss through evaporation. They also reduce soil erosion, soil compaction, reflective heat and water loss through runoff. Another benefit of wood chips is reduced landfill waste.

### **Where do you deliver?**

We deliver East of I-17 and North of McDowell Rd. That includes central and east Phoenix, Scottsdale, Carefree and Cave Creek. Occasionally we deliver outside this area. Let us know where you are and we'll check our schedule.

### **What is the cost?**

There is no cost. This is a free service within our service area.

### **What are your delivery requirements?**

We require that there be no delays on the delivery end. We need to dump our chips and get back on the road without any hang-ups such as a locked gate, wrong address or overhead clearance problems.

**How big is your delivery vehicle for access purposes?**

Our truck is a 2-ton dump truck on an International 4300 chassis. We need overhead driving clearance of 12 ft. 6 inches and overhead dumping clearance of 20 feet directly above the truck at the dump location.

**What do I have to do to order a load of chips?**

1. Measure carefully to be sure there is enough clearance for driving and dumping. (See measurements above.)
2. Call or email us with your address and any instructions about access. Include a specific dumping location at the address, such as front yard, backyard, driveway, corral, arena, etc.
3. Provide days and times that we can deliver.

**Does someone need to be onsite for the delivery?**

We prefer that someone be onsite at the time of delivery but this is not mandatory.

Call or email with additional questions.