

Leaf Blower Policies, California Cities

City	Ban, No Ban, Restricted	Description	Ordinance
1. El Segundo	Restricted	The use, operation, or allowing the use of operation of any portable machine powered with a combustion, gasoline, or electric engine are permitted between 7am-10pm.	Noise Municipal Code Title 7, Ch. 2
2. Redondo Beach	Ban	(c) It is unlawful to operate any motorized leaf blower in the City at any time.	Ord. 3180 c.s., eff. August 10, 2018)
3. Torrance	No Ban	2019 – City officials have begun discussing whether they want to ban leaf blowers or continue to permit them citywide.	
4. Santa Monica	Ban	No person shall operate any leaf blower (gas, electric, or battery powered) within the City. A leaf blower is defined as any motorized tool (gas, electric, or battery powered) used to propel fallen leaves and debris for removal. Infractions will be punishable by substantial fines to property owners, property and landscape management companies, individual operators, and/or water customers.	S.M.M.C. 4.08.270
5. Beverly Hills	Restricted	The use of gasoline-powered leaf blowers is prohibited by Beverly Hills Municipal Code (Section 5-1-209) in an effort to minimize air and noise pollution and that Beverly Hills property owners are responsible for ensuring that gardeners do not violate the City. Electric leaf blowers are permitted.	Ord. 11-O-2613, eff. 10-31-2011
6. West Hollywood	Restricted	The West Hollywood Municipal Code prohibits the use of any portable leaf blower that is powered by a combustion or gasoline engine. Electric leaf blowers are permitted.	WHMC 9.08.050.h

7. Malibu	Ban	<p>The City prohibits the use of gas-powered leaf blowers anywhere in Malibu. This new ban pertains to the use of electric blowers in the fire affected areas.</p> <p>Debris from the fire and damaged structures may contain materials and particulates that are hazardous to health and safety. Banning the use of leaf blowers of any type from Malibu Canyon Rd to the western City limits. The ban will remain in effect until August 1, 2019 in order to prevent those hazardous materials from being spread through the air.</p>	No. 441U
8. Capitola City	Restricted	The City permits the use of leaf blowers only between 8am and 5pm, and between 10am and 4pm Saturday and Sunday. Prohibits the use of leaf blowers to blow debris onto adjacent property.	Noise Municipal Code Ch. 9, Sec. 12
9. Santa Barbara	Restricted	It is illegal to use gasoline powered leaf blowers in the city at any time. Electric leaf blowers are permitted.	9.16.020-021
10. Newport Beach	Restricted	Operation on parcels zoned for non-residential use that may be adjacent to or surrounded by a district otherwise zoned for residential use including but not limited to parcels zoned for public or private institutional uses, park and recreation uses, open space uses, or other similar non-residential uses	No. 2011-12 section 6.04.055
11. Laguna Beach	Ban	The use of electric or gasoline powered blowers, such as commonly used by gardeners and other persons for cleaning lawns, yards, driveways, gutters and other property is prohibited at any time within the city limits.	7.25.070