

# Everything You Could Ever Want To Know About Gutter Cleaning As Reported by **JMLS**:

## Why even bother?

**Interior water damage** is possible when gutters overflow; water can seep behind siding and window frames causing extensive *and expensive* damage. Visible **deck-etching** or discoloration is a common occurrence. **Erosion** to mulch and topsoil within flower beds can be dramatic. **Mud splatter/staining** on lower walls is characteristic. Falling water can easily cause **injury and disfigurement to plantings and shrubs**. Water which is not ushered away from foundations is a major contributor to **damp basement walls** in which **mold and mildew** can gain a foothold. Gutter contents which freeze to form icicles, in turn, add weight and strain where it is not unusual to see **bent/damaged gutters separated from their mountings**. It is not uncommon for gutter troughs to be home to **bird, animal, and bee nests**. And, pooling water in your gutters can become the perfect breeding ground for **mosquitos**! Our experiences with slow and clogged downspouts is that it is a rare (<1%) occurrence where mere garden hose water pressure doesn't break up and dislodge debris. 😊

## How often?

We clean and flush gutters **anytime** and will receive requests **even during the dead of summer** and **especially after a storm event**. Depending upon the types and, most importantly, locations of trees in your yard, you may wish to **time a visit** to follow the drop of spent blossoms and those pesky "whirly-birds" sometime in the spring or to coincide with fall leaf drop. In order to catch any problems early and before the cost escalates; we suggest consistency by maintaining a **regular cleaning schedule**. If it is nearing late November and most, but not all, leaves have fallen, we recommend having us perform the cleaning, but **before freezing temperatures and snow kick in**. With regular maintenance, the few leaves that may fall after this season-final cleaning will not adversely affect gutter performance.

## Costs, Considerations, Discounts?

We offer such a great value which begins with competitive pricing, attentive customer service (you deserve to talk with a person!), and quick turnaround times. To accurately estimate, we'll almost always stop out to measure the linear footage of gutters and log-in the number of downspouts on your home or business. Ranch-style homes with mostly "walkable" roofs are the least expensive...2½ story, with mostly "non-walkable" steep-pitched roofs are slower to complete thus costing more. **DISCOUNTS: 5% "Senior"---10% "New-Customer"---10% "No-Flush"---10% "Early-Bird"** (scheduled *by 06/20 & between 09/21 & 11/01*). Both our "**PREMIUM**" and **ECONOMY** mowing customers enjoy **"Exclusive Discounts"**. Consider becoming a **JMLS** mowing customer *today!*

## Why us?

Included in all of our work is the removal of loose debris from your roof, wiping-off any window water spots we create, wiping-down skylights, and cleanup and collection of debris which falls during operations. While we need your water supply for flushing, *we do carry a hose with us, should yours not be available*. As you can see, **JMLS** just goes to that extent *for you!*