

Posting Process for Removal of Healthy Trees on Public Property and Right-of-Way



PUBLIC PROPERTY & RIGHT-OF-WAY TREE IMPACT CHECKLIST

STEP ONE: Submit three copies of drawings to the Office of Parks

- When healthy trees are removed, replacement is on an inch per caliper inch basis, regardless of size.
- Drawings must include current site conditions, proposed impact and limits of destruction & a tree replacement plan when healthy trees are being removed.
- All trees removed must be clearly identified on the plan/drawing with an X over each destroyed tree, regardless of size.
- Trees impacted greater than 20%, but not more than 33% may be eligible for prescription. An approved prescription plan must be included with submitted drawings.
- Replacement plan must show size, species, and location of proposed trees.
- Replacement trees shall be a minimum of 2.5" nursery caliper.
- When possible, replacement trees shall be planted in the right-of-way where they were removed. If it has been determined that trees cannot be planted on the same street, trees may be planted on other streets or in parks in the same NPU, or within a one mile radius of the NPU.
- The applicant is responsible for finding offsite locations.
- Replacement trees shall be planted by a specific date during the dormancy period, typically between November 1 - April 1.
- Replacement trees shall be guaranteed by the planting party for at least two growing seasons.
- Plans are to be submitted @ 233 Peachtree St. NE - Harris Tower Suite 1700-Atlanta, Ga 30303
- Replacement plan is subject to arborist approval.

STEP TWO: Posting Period

- Once final drawings are approved by an Office of Parks arborist the site will be posted for the requisite 15 calendar days.
- All trees proposed for removal must be painted with an orange X prior to posting by the applicant.
- The posting period begins the day after the sign goes in the ground. (Note: this posting is separate from the Office of Buildings posting.)

STEP THREE: Final Permitting

- Once the posting period has expired without appeal, final arborist approval is given for public tree impact.
- The applicant is responsible for retrieving approved plans and transporting them to the Office of Buildings Arborist Division for final permitting.

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