



Township of Edgewater Park

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TREE REMOVAL PERMIT APPLICATION

General Requirements

A. Tree Removal Permit Required

1. Any person planning actions that include or may result in tree removal of a street tree, as defined as Tree removal, with a diameter at breast height (DBH) of two and a half inches (2.5") or greater or any non-street tree with DBH of six inches (6") or more on their property shall submit a Tree Removal Application to the Township Administrator. No tree shall be removed, unless exempt under Section IV of the *Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park to Repeal Chapter 438 Entitled "TREES" and to Replace with New Chapter "Tree Removal and Replacement" (Ordinance 2024-06)* and/or until municipal officials have reviewed and approved the removal.
2. For larger scale clearing projects over 5,000 square feet, the applicant shall submit a tree survey as part of the application to determine number, sizes and exemptions of trees.

B. Tree Replacement Requirements

1. Any person who removes one or more street tree(s) with a DBH of two and a half inches (2.5") or greater, unless exempt under the aforementioned Section IV, shall be subject to the requirements of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table below.
2. Any person, who removes one or more tree(s), unless exempt under the aforementioned Section IV, as defined as Tree removal, with a DBH of six inches (6") or greater per acre, unless otherwise detailed under Section IV, shall be subject to the requirements of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table below.
3. The species type and diversity of replacement trees shall be in accordance with Appendix A and Appendix B of the *Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park to Repeal Chapter 438 Entitled "TREES" and to Replace with New Chapter "Tree Removal and Replacement" (Ordinance 2024-06)*.
4. Replacement tree(s) shall:

- 1) Be replaced in kind with a tree that has an equal or greater DBH than the tree removed **or** meet the Tree Replacement Criteria in the Tree Replacement Requirements Table below;
- 2) Be planted within twelve (12) months of the date of removal of the original tree(s) or at an alternative date specified by the municipality;
- 3) Be monitored by the applicant for a period of two (2) years to ensure their survival and shall be replaced as needed within twelve (12) months; and
- 4) shall not be planted in temporary containers or pots, as these do not count towards tree replacement requirements.

Tree Replacement Requirements Table

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>TREE REMOVED (DBH)</u>	<u>TREE REPLACEMENT CRITERIA (See Appendix A*)</u>
1	DBH of 2.5" (for street trees) or 6" (for non-street trees) to 12.99"	Replant one (1) tree with a minimum tree caliper of one and a half inches (1.5") for each tree removed
2	DBH of 13" to 22.99"	Replant two (2) trees with minimum tree calipers of one and a half inches (1.5") for each tree removed
3	DBH of 23" to 32.99"	Replant three (3) trees with minimum tree calipers of one and a half inches (1.5") for each tree removed
4	DBH of 33" or greater	Replant four (4) trees with minimum tree calipers of one and a half inches (1.5") for each tree removed

C. Replacement Alternatives

1. If the municipality determines that some or all required replacement trees cannot be planted on the property where the tree removal activity occurred, then the applicant shall do one of the following:
 - 1) Plant replacement trees in a separate area(s) approved by the municipality.
 - 2) Pay a fee of \$300.00 per tree removed. This fee shall be placed into a fund dedicated to tree planting and continued maintenance of the trees.

D. Section IV. Exemptions – From the *Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park to Repeal Chapter 438 Entitled “TREES” and to Replace with New Chapter “Tree Removal and Replacement” (Ordinance 2024-06)*

1. All persons shall comply with the tree replacement standard outlined above, except in the cases detailed below. Proper justification shall be provided, in writing, to the municipality by all persons claiming an exemption. Proper justification shall consist of, but is not limited to photographic evidence, certification from a licensed tree expert or arborist, and /or state agency documentation.
 - 1) Residents who remove less than four (4) trees per acre that fall into categories 1, 2, or 3 of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table within a five-year period;
 - 2) Tree farms in active operation, nurseries, fruit orchards, and garden centers;
 - 3) Properties used for the practice of silviculture under an approved forest stewardship or woodland management plan that is active and on file with the municipality;
 - 4) Any trees removed as part of a municipal or state decommissioning plan. This exemption only includes trees planted as part of the construction and predetermined to be removed in the decommissioning plan;
 - 5) Any trees removed pursuant to a New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) or U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved environmental clean-up, or NJDEP-approved habitat enhancement plan;
 - 6) Approved game management practices, as recommended by the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife;
 - 7) Hazard or invasive trees may be removed with no fee or replacement requirement;
 - 8) One hundred percent (100%) affordable housing developments.
 - 9) Any project that has received Preliminary Site Plan approval prior to the effective date of this ordinance, and said approval remains valid and in full force and effect.

E. Section V. Enforcement – From the *Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park to Repeal Chapter 438 Entitled “TREES” and to Replace with New Chapter “Tree Removal and Replacement” (Ordinance 2024-06)*

1. The above-referenced ordinance shall be enforced by the Police Department during the course of ordinary enforcement duties.

F. Section VI. Violations and Penalties – From the *Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park to Repeal Chapter 438 Entitled “TREES” and to Replace with New*

Chapter “Tree Removal and Replacement” (Ordinance 2024-06)

1. Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of the above-referenced ordinance shall be subject to a fine of \$300.00, no more than \$1,000.00 per tree and/or any other penalty that is consistent with Section 1-8, Violations and Penalties, of the Township Code for each offense

Appendix A

Approved list of Replacement tree Species and Planting Standards for the Township of Edgewater Park

Common Name	Botanical Name	Planting Strip
Amanogawa Cherry*	<i>Prunus serrulate</i> 'Amanogawa'*	3' or Less
Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier x grandiflora</i> 'Autumn Brilliance'	3' or Less
Robin Holl Pink Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier x grandiflora</i> 'Robin Hill Pink'	3' or Less
European Hornbeam*	<i>Carpinus betulus</i> 'clvs'*	3' – 4' Wide
Japanese Zelkova*	<i>Zelkova serrata</i> 'clvs'	3' – 4' Wide
London Planetree	<i>Plantus x acerifolia</i> 'clvs'	3' – 4' Wide
Black Tupelo*	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i> 'clvs'*	3' – 4' Wide
American Hophornbeam*	<i>Ostrya virginia</i> 'clvs'*	3' – 4' Wide
American Hornbeam*	<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> *	3' – 4' Wide
Okame Cherry*	<i>Prunus</i> 'Okame'*	3' – 4' Wide
Hackberry*	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i> *	4' or Wider
Willow Oak*	<i>Quercus phellos</i> *	4' or Wider
Pin Oak	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	4' or Wider
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i> 'clvs'	4' or Wider
Thornless Honeylocust	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> var. <i>inermis</i>	4' or Wider
Tulip Tree	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>	4' or Wider
Sawtooth Oak*	<i>Quercus acutissima</i> *	4' or Wider
'Princeton' Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i> 'Princeton'	4' or Wider
October Glory Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i> 'October Glory'	4' or Wider
Willow Oak	<i>Quercus phellos</i>	4' or Wider
American Basswood	<i>Tilia americana</i> 'clvs'	4' or Wider
Littleleaf Linden	<i>Tilia cordata</i> 'clvs'	4' or Wider
Columnar Sargent Cherry*	<i>Prunus sargentii columnaris</i> *	Under or Near Electrical Utilities
Korean Stewartia	<i>Stewartia koreana</i>	Under or Near Electrical Utilities

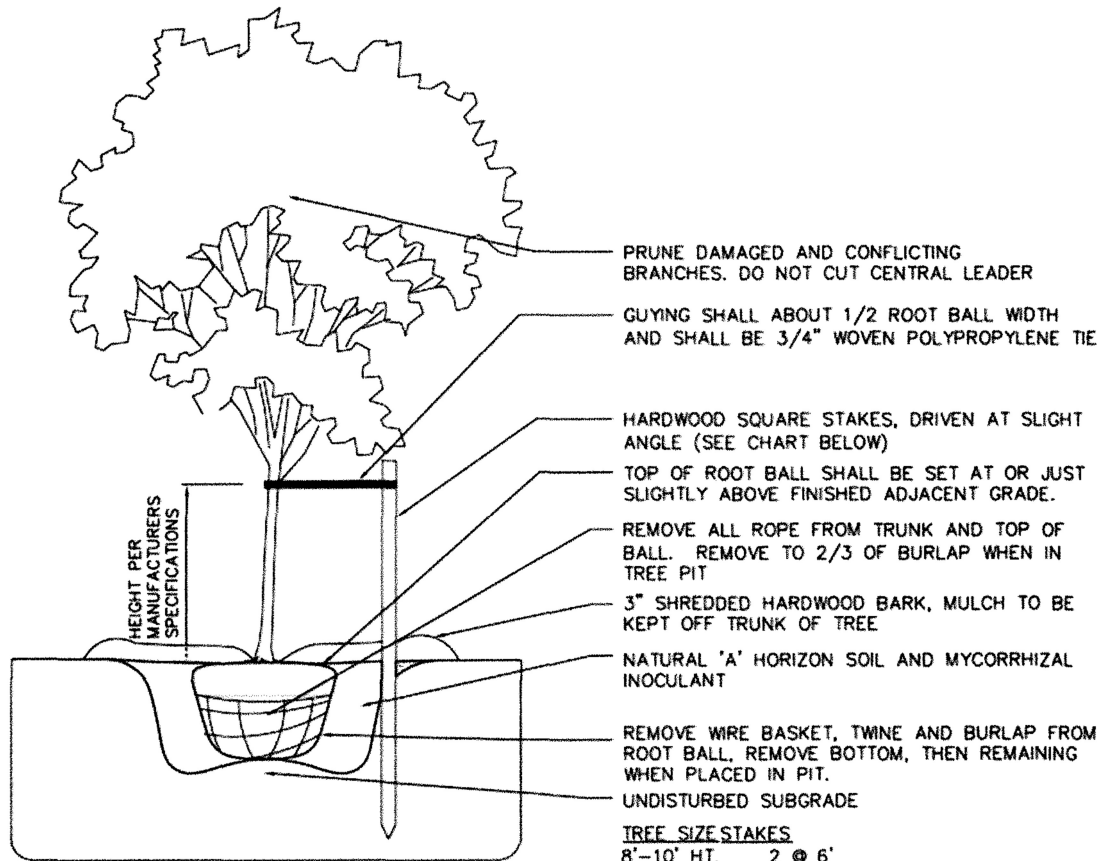
Redbud	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Under or Near Electrical Utilities
Sourwood	<i>Oxydendrum arboretum</i>	Under or Near Electrical Utilities

*Fall Dig Hazard – Tree must only be planted in the spring

**Trees not listed as a Fall Dig Hazard may be planted in the spring or fall

**See Appendix B for planting requirements

APPENDIX B



NOTES:

1. GUYS FOR MULTI-STEM TREES TO BE ATTACHED ON THE LARGEST BRANCHES OF TREE.
2. WATER BAGS MUST BE INSTALLED AROUND BASE OF TREE AND REMOVED AFTER TREE IS ESTABLISHED.
3. TREE PRUNING MUST FOLLOW STANDARDS AS DESCRIBED BY THE USDA FOREST SERVICE

TREE SIZE STAKES

8'-10' HT.	2 @ 6'
1"-2" CAL.	2 @ 7'
2"-4" CAL.	2 @ 8'
4"-6" CAL.	3 @ 10'



REVISIONS	PROJECT # 61000 00
	DATE: 10/13/2023
	SCALE: NTS
	DRAWN BY: RGM
	REVIEWED BY: NJW

STANDARD CONSTRUCTION DETAIL

EDGEWATER PARK STREET TREE CONSTRUCTION DETAIL

Applicant, Property Owner, and Contractor Information

(Required Section)

Application Type (Select One):

_____ Residential Tree Removal Applicant – No Fee required

_____ Commercial Tree Removal Applicant – No Fee required

Applicant's Name: _____

Applicant's Address: _____

Applicant's Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Property Owner's Name: _____

Property Owner's Address: _____

Property Owner's Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Contractor's & Company Name: _____

Contractor's Address: _____

Contractor's Phone Number: _____ Contractor's Fax Number: _____

Contractor's Email: _____

All approved permits shall be emailed to the Applicant unless otherwise noted below:

_____ Mail _____ Fax email _____ pick-up

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this application, the contents herein, as well as associated documents, is a true representation of all facts concerning the proposed tree removal activity. This application is made with my approval as Owner or Authorized Agent for the Owner, as evidenced by my signature below. FOR THE DURATION OF THE TREE REMOVAL PERMIT, IF ISSUED, I UNDERSTAND THE LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY AND CONSEQUENCES FOR ANY AND ALL VIOLATIONS OF THE EDGEWATER PARK TOWNSHIP ZONING AND GENERAL CODE ON THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED ABOVE

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Title (if applicable): _____

Consent of Owner (if applicable): _____ Date: _____

General Tree Removal Information
(Required Section)

For **Residential/Commercial** Tree Removal Applicants:

2. List the total number of dead or dying trees being removed: _____
3. Do you seek to remove trees in a healthy condition? __ Yes __ No
 - If Yes, the reason for removal: _____
4. List the total number of trees in healthy condition being removed: _____
5. Are you proposing any Tree Replanting onsite? ____ Yes ____ No
 - If Yes, please complete the Section on Tree Replanting Information below.
 - If No, and you are removing any tree, be advised that you will be required to pay the listed additional application fee.

Tree Replacement Information

Complete this section **only if** proposing tree replacement onsite.

With regard to trees being removed:

1. Identify the species: _____
2. Diameter at Breast Height: _____
3. Location of trees: _____

For all proposed Replacement Trees:

1. Identify the species: _____
2. Provide the mature size: _____
3. Provide planting size: _____
4. Number of replacement trees: _____
5. Location of Plantings: _____
6. Timing of Planting: _____

Required Documents

1. Residential Tree Removal Applicants seeking to remove only dead or dying trees will not need to submit any additional documents.
2. Removal of Healthy Tree (s) Applicants are required to submit a property survey or scaled plot plan showing the land upon which the tree (s) is located, the location of the tree sought to be removed, cut, or destroyed, and the distance of the tree(s) from existing structures and improvements, as well as proposed planting of Replacement Trees, as applicable;

Commercial Tree Removal Applications shall submit a copy of the most recent landscape plan approved by the Edgewater Park Planning Board or Zoning Board of Adjustment, if applicable. If no landscape plan is available, a property survey or scaled plot plan that details the location of all parking areas, landscape islands, and landscaped areas shall be submitted. The Zoning Department or his/her designee reserves the right to waive these documents or request any additional information deemed to be necessary and/or noted in §2024-9.

For Official Use Only

Submission Date: _____

Application No.: _____

Residential/Commercial Tree Fund Contribution = Number of total healthy trees being removed thus requiring additional cost: _____

Total Cost: _____

APPROVED _____

DENIED _____

Signature

Date _____