

Tree Removal Exemption

The following information is needed to determine if you are eligible for a Tree Removal Exemption. You will still have to file a tree removal application to obtain tree removal exemption.

- 1) How many trees are being cut down on your property?
- 2) What is the diameter of the tree(s) and type / species being cut down and the location i.e.: front, side or rear yards? (The way measure the diameter / DBH is 4 ½ feet from ground, then straight across the tree.)



The following are the requirements for an exemption:

- 1) If the tree is located within five feet from your property lot line you will need to get a notarized letter from neighbor, if the neighbor does not give a letter then you may be required to get a permit. (Letter must be submitted with tree removal application)
- 2) If the tree is less than 20 inches in diameter and you are cutting down less than three trees with in your yard, only one of those trees can be located within the front yard, otherwise a permit is needed.
- 3) If the tree is less than 20 inches in diameter and the trunk of the tree is within five feet from your foundation of your house.
- 4) If the tree is dead, irreversibly diseased, or constitutes a hazard to the safety of life or property. (A report of the trees condition is need from licensed Certified Expert or licensed Arborist to be submitted with tree removal application)

The following items are needed to submit for a Tree Removal Exemption:

- 1) Tree Removal Application
- 2) Pictures of all trees being cut down
- 3) Notarized letter from neighbor – See #1 under “Exemption”
- 4) A report from licensed Certified Expert or licensed Arborist – See #4 under “Exemption”
- 5) A copy of your property survey showing approximate location of the tree
- 6) A copy of the quote from the company removing the tree