



City of Mascotte Tree Removal Permit

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TREE REMOVAL FEE: \$25.00

Applicant/Owner Information		Alt. Key:	
Name			
Address			
City	State	Zip	
Property Address if Different from Above			
Phone		Email	
Cost Value:	Hiring a Contractor		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
General Contractor Name			
Mailing Address			
City	State	Zip	
Phone			

Permit Information	
Reason for tree removal (select all that apply)	
Too close to existing structure	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Danger of falling Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
Too close to existing utility services	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Infected by disease Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
Constitute a safety hazard	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Threat to traffic visibility Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
Other	
Tree Specimen(s) to be removed	Tree Specimen(s) Remaining on Property
Number of trees to be removed:	
Approximate Height	Approximate Diameter
General Location of the tree (s) on site	
Please Note: Any materials generated by tree trimming/removal entities is not considered collectible yard waste, and The City is not responsible for collection of tree debris removal. That is the responsibility of the homeowner/contractor to remove all debris from property of tree removal.	
Signature of Applicant	Date

Per Florida Statute 163.045 Tree pruning, trimming, or removal on residential property.

(1) For purposes of this section, the term:

(a) “Documentation” means an onsite assessment performed in accordance with the tree risk assessment procedures outlined in Best Management Practices - Tree Risk Assessment, Second Edition (2017) by an arborist certified by the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) or a Florida licensed landscape architect and signed by the certified arborist or licensed landscape architect.

(b) “Residential property” means a single-family, detached building located on a lot that is actively used for single-family residential purposes and that is either a conforming use or a legally recognized nonconforming use in accordance with the local jurisdiction’s applicable land development regulations.

(2) A local government may not require a notice, application, approval, permit, fee, or mitigation for the pruning, trimming, or removal of a tree on a residential property if the property owner possesses documentation from an arborist certified by the ISA or a Florida licensed landscape architect that the tree poses an unacceptable risk to persons or property. A tree poses an unacceptable risk if removal is the only means of practically mitigating its risk below moderate, as determined by the tree risk assessment procedures outlined in Best Management Practices - Tree Risk Assessment, Second Edition (2017).

(3) A local government may not require a property owner to replant a tree that was pruned, trimmed, or removed in accordance with this section.

Please submit this documentation to Planning & Zoning for record of tree removal in lieu of a tree removal permit application.

No permit shall be required for trees listed in the most recent Florida Invasive Species Council (FISC) published list of invasive plant species as Category I or II invasive, exotic species do not require a permit.

The complete list of invasive species can be viewed at <https://www.floridainvasives.org/plant-list>

Per Section 6.12 of the City of Mascotte Land Development Code

As part of the tree removal permit, mitigation may be required. When determining whether to permit the tree removal, the following issues will be evaluated:

1. Whether the tree is a species that is exempt from tree protection measures.
2. Whether the tree has hazardous branching structure such as a hollow trunk, low fork in the trunk, or other.
3. Whether the tree is injured or diseased beyond repair.
4. Whether there are no viable alternatives to locating structures or driveways on the site.
5. Whether the tree is impacting the foundation of a house or other building or structure.
6. Whether the tree poses a threat to traffic visibility.
7. Whether the tree is negatively impacting a more desirable tree.
8. Any other issue deemed important by the City.

Tree Checklist

	Property Record Card
	Completed Application
	“Disclosure Statement” if done by owner
	Provide a sketch showing the location and identification of tree(s) to be removed. (Boundary Survey)
	Licensed Contractor if not by Owner
	Payment for Permit Application \$25.00

Tree Removal Process

1. Permit Required

Any person who proposed to cut down, move, remove, or destroy any tree, including those on single family lots, shall first obtain a tree removal permit from the City. Requests for tree removal permits shall be made to the city Permit Tech. Trees that are located on vacant, undeveloped land shall not be removed except as permitted through the development of the site.

2. Any application for a tree removal permit shall include the following:

- Property owner’s name and daytime telephone number.
- Street address and directions to the site where the tree(s) are being removed.
- The type and size of tree proposed to be removed.
- Purpose for the tree removal.
- Most recent available boundary survey.
- General location of the tree(s) on site.
- How many trees remain on the lot or parcel.

Any trees removed in violation of the City Code shall be subject to all penalty provisions afforded the City.