



Tree Removal

Is a Tree Work Permit required to remove a tree?

- A Tree Work Permit is required to remove any tree or woody plant originating within the public right of way (area located between the curb and the sidewalk) of any street, sidewalk, or alley, or upon other town-owned property within the town, except for sucker shoots or self-sown trees that are less than one (2) inch in diameter.
- Tree Work Permits are **not** required to perform any work on trees located wholly on private properties.

Tree care work, in general, is hazardous, but tree removal is especially dangerous. Successfully felling or removing a tree requires knowledge of tree physics, biology, dangerous tools, advanced cutting techniques, and more. Homeowners who attempt their own tree removal may be injured by falling limbs, malfunctioning equipment, or the tree itself. Contact a [professional arborist](#) to determine the best way to safely remove your tree.

All tree stumps located within the public right-of-way shall be removed below the surface of the ground so that the top of the stump shall not project above the surface of the ground. Utility locates shall be conducted prior to grinding.