

CITY OF LAKE MARY PERMIT FOR TREE REMOVAL

Date Submitted: _____ Rec'd By: _____ Permit Number: _____

PERMITS FOR REMOVAL, RELOCATION, ALTERATION OR REPLACEMENT OF TREES SHALL BE OBTAINED BY MAKING APPLICATION IN THE FORM OF AN ARBOR PERMIT. THE APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED BY THE HOMEOWNER. FEE IS \$30.

Applicant: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Project location/Address: _____

Project request: Number of trees to be removed _____
Number of trees to be trimmed _____ (*Non-residential property only*)

Reason for request:

Name of contractor who will be doing the work (if applicable) _____

NOTE:
PLEASE ATTACH A LEGIBLE DRAWING OR SITE PLAN SHOWING THE LOCATION OF THE TREES TO BE REMOVED OR TRIMMED, AND ALSO THE LOCATION OF ALL EXISTING OR PROPOSED STRUCTURES INCLUDING THE HOUSE, DRIVEWAY, SHED, ETC., AND ALL EXISTING OR PROPOSED UTILITY SERVICES.

****PERMITS ARE USUALLY REVIEWED WITHIN 5-7 BUSINESS DAYS****

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY:

I hereby certify that I am the owner of the property and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, all information supplied in this application and supporting documents is true and accurate and I agree that no tree removal or tree trimming shall occur until this application has been approved. I hereby give my permission for the City's Arbor Inspector to access my property to inspect trees to be removed.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

Inspected by: _____ Date: _____

Determination: _____

Comments/Conditions: _____

GENERAL ARBOR REGULATIONS

Trees may be removed if they are:

- Dead, dying, or diseased;
- Nuisance trees as defined in Section 154.14(B)(6) of the City Code of Ordinances;
- Within the building pad or septic drainfield;
- Less than 6" caliper (new single-family/residential/commercial);
- Less than 12" caliper (existing single family);
- Within 15' of a structure, or
- Within 7.5' of a structure if the tree is considered "historic".

Historic trees are:

- Live Oak trees 24" in caliper or greater;
- Long Leaf Pine or Magnolia Trees 20" in caliper or greater;
- Red Cedar tree 12" in caliper or greater.

PENALTIES FOR UNAUTHORIZED REMOVAL OF TREES

If a tree not authorized for removal is removed, altered, or damaged such that its susceptibility to disease or other detrimental environmental factors is significantly increased, which may result in premature death, the general contractor and/or property owner shall pay fines based upon the following:

- (1) Initial Fine for failure to obtain a permit - Fine of \$250.00 per tree or \$500 per historic tree removed.**
- (2) Secondary Fine for removal of a tree without a permit = \$50.00 per caliper inch.**
- (3) Secondary Fine for removal of an historic tree without a permit = \$100.00 per caliper inch.**

The initial fine (1) may not be mitigated; however, the additional fine related to the size of the tree removed (2)(3) may be mitigated by the violator committing to a replacement plan utilizing the replacement ratio and criteria provided in Chapter 157 of the City of Lake Mary Code of Ordinances. For questions concerning arbor permits, call 407-585-1440 or 407-585-1493.

Arbor permits are good for sixty (60) days.

Submit completed application to Community Development Dept., 911 Wallace Ct., Lake Mary, FL 32746. If you have questions, please call Stephen Noto at 407-585-1440.