

TREE MANAGEMENT INFORMATION



REDUCE THE IMPACT OF CONSTRUCTION ON NEIGHBOURING TREES

The City of Coquitlam has a tree management bylaw (Bylaw No. 4091) designed to protect trees, regulate cutting and ensure replacement of trees removed. The Bylaw applies to all private properties in Coquitlam. The following information is an overview of the Coquitlam's Tree Management Bylaw.

Trees located on, or adjacent to, the property should be considered as part of the home, driveway, and accessory building design. Excavating within four metres of a tree may create a hazard. The City of Coquitlam recommends you consult an ISA Certified Arborist for advice on land clearing and risk management.

CITY TREES

City trees must be protected with temporary fencing, any removals must be authorized by Urban Forestry, and a compensation fee may apply. Consult the Urban Forestry Technician for an inspection 604-927-3482.

NEIGHBOUR'S TREES

Trees on neighbouring properties may require root zone protection. Consult your neighbour to reach an agreement.

A GUIDE TO THE TREE MANAGEMENT BYLAW

WHAT IS A PROTECTED TREE?

A tree is protected under the Bylaw when it is 20 centimeters or more in diameter, measured at a point 1.4 metres from the ground, OR

A replacement tree planted as a permit requirement, OR

A tree located in a high-risk location, such as on a slope or in streamside protection and enhancement areas.

DO I NEED A PERMIT TO CUT DOWN MY TREE?

Proper pruning of your tree(s) does not require a permit. However, topping a tree is considered damage and a ticketable offence under Coquitlam's bylaw. Refer to the chart on the opposite page to determine if a permit is required to cut down your tree(s).

HOW DO I GET A PERMIT?

You can submit an application form in person at City Hall, by mail, or electronically. Application forms are available at City Hall or online at coquitlam.ca/treemanagement. More details are provided in the *Coquitlam Standards for Tree Cutting Permit Applicants*.

TREE RETENTION, CUTTING AND REPLACEMENT PLAN

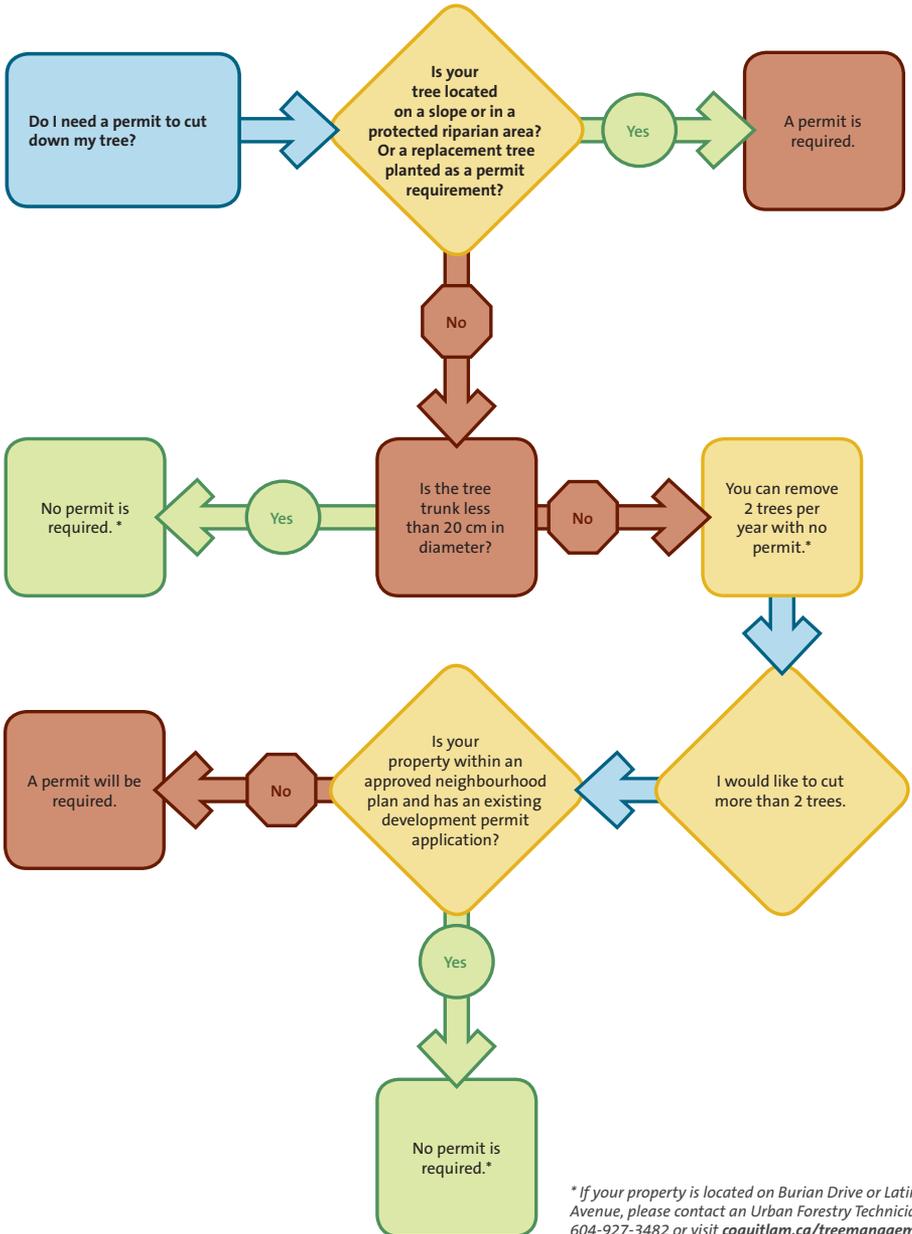
Replanting requirements are based on lot size and the number of existing trees. See *Coquitlam Standards for Tree Cutting Permit Applicants*.



QUESTIONS?

For more information, please contact an Urban Forestry Technician at 604-927-3482 or urbanforestry@coquitlam.ca

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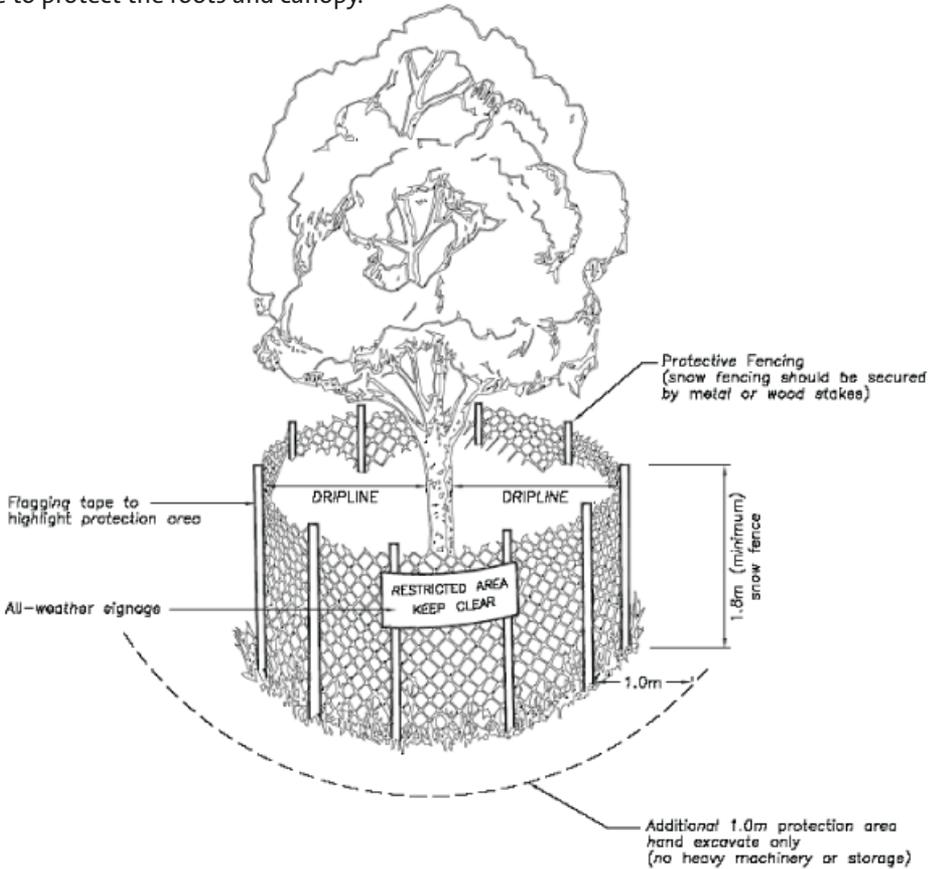


* If your property is located on Burian Drive or Latimer Avenue, please contact an Urban Forestry Technician at 604-927-3482 or visit coquitlam.ca/treemanagement

TREE PROTECTION

How do I safely retain trees on, or adjacent to, the property?

Prior to construction activity you should erect temporary fencing at the dripline of the tree to protect the roots and canopy.



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