Cresskill Building Department

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Tree Removal Permit

Permit #: ***T***_____

Block: _____ Lot: _____

Property Location: _____

Property Owner

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Tree Care Operator *(copy of Tree Care Operator license is required)*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Total # of trees on the property: _____ Total # of trees to be removed: _____

Major or Minor Application

- ◯ Minor tree removal application – removal of 4 or less trees from a single lot
- ◯ Major tree removal application – removal of 5 or more trees from a single lot
- ◯ Minor/major subdivision or site plan approval

Classification of Application

- ◯ New Construction – The construction of a new building, garage, pool, or tennis court
- ◯ Commercial Property
- ◯ Private Resident Tree Removal – A New Jersey licensed Tree Care Operator must file

All requirements for permits can be found in the Cresskill Tree Removal Ordinance 275-66.1

Tree Removal Plan

*Ask for the tree removal supplement form if removing more than 15 trees

Species of tree	#	Diameter (at 4ft.)**	Location	Distance from house	Distance from property line*	Condition	Reason for removal

*No trees within the first 10 feet of the property (the Borough right of way) may be removed without DPW approval

**Any tree with a diameter of less than 2.5 inches as measured at a height of 4 feet does not need a tree removal permit

Tree Replacement Plan

# of trees to be removed	Diameter of existing (at 4ft.)	# of trees required to replant	Diameter of replacement trees	Cost of tree if not replanting	Total # of tree replacements on site	Contribution if not planting on site
	Dead (with letter)	0				
	2.5" - 12.99" street trees*	2	2.5" caliper	$500 per tree removed		
	6" - 12.99" non-street trees	2	2.5" caliper	$500 per tree removed		
	13" - 22.99"	2	2.5" caliper	$500 per tree removed		
	23" – 32.99"	3	2.5" caliper	$500 per tree removed		
	33"+	4	2.5" caliper	$500 per tree removed		

*Street trees are any tree planted in the sidewalk, planting strip, and/or in the public right-of-way adjacent to (or specified distance from) the portion of the street reserved for vehicular traffic

Please also include:

◯ A copy of all licenses for the licensed New Jersey Tree Care Operator that will be performing the work *(a Home Improvement Contractors license is NOT a valid license for this)*

◯ A copy of the contractor's liability insurance certificate

◯ A survey of the property indicating where on the property the tree(s) are OR photographs of the tree(s)

◯ Please mark all trees to be removed to aid in the inspection *(tie a ribbon around it, spray paint an X, anything to clearly indicate which tree(s) will be removed)*

◯ **If the tree is dead, please provide a letter from the Tree Care Operator stating so. A tree will not be considered dead without a letter.**

Permit Requirements:

- Please see the list in the tree removal ordinance (275-66.1) for the approved trees that can be used for replanting
- Trees located less than 10 feet from the face of the curb to the center of the tree are in the right-of-way and are the responsibility of the Borough (this excludes any evergreen tree)
- A permit application submission does not constitute an approval. Do not schedule the tree removal until you receive approval from the Borough
- The submission of a landscaping plan may be required

Fees

Each tree removal permit is subject to TWO fees: a removal fee and an administrative fee

Removal fees:

- For trees under 16" in diameter – No removal fee *(administrative fee only, see below)*
- For trees with a diameter of 16" or more – $125 per tree

Administrative fees:

- For new construction – $300
- For an existing structures – $35
- For vacant lots – $35

The penalty for failing to obtain a permit for tree removal shall be not less than two times and not greater than five times the above fees

The undersigned hereby certifies that the information provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge and allows the Borough inspector access to your property to ensure all work is done as described and approved.

_____ _____

Signature of Applicant *Date*

For Borough Use Only:

_____ _____

Zoning Official *Date*

_____ _____

Property Maintenance Officer ***(removal)*** *Date*

_____ _____

Property Maintenance Officer ***(replanting)*** *Date*

◯ Approved

◯ Approved with conditions (may require further review): ◯ Arborist Review

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◯ Denied:

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Amount owed (removal) _____

Amount owed (replanting) _____

Check # _____

Received by _____

Date _____

App # _____