

A replacement tree is a tree that must be planted to replace a tree that has been cut, removed, or damaged.

A tree permit application must include a replacement tree planting plan, unless only one protected tree is proposed for removal.

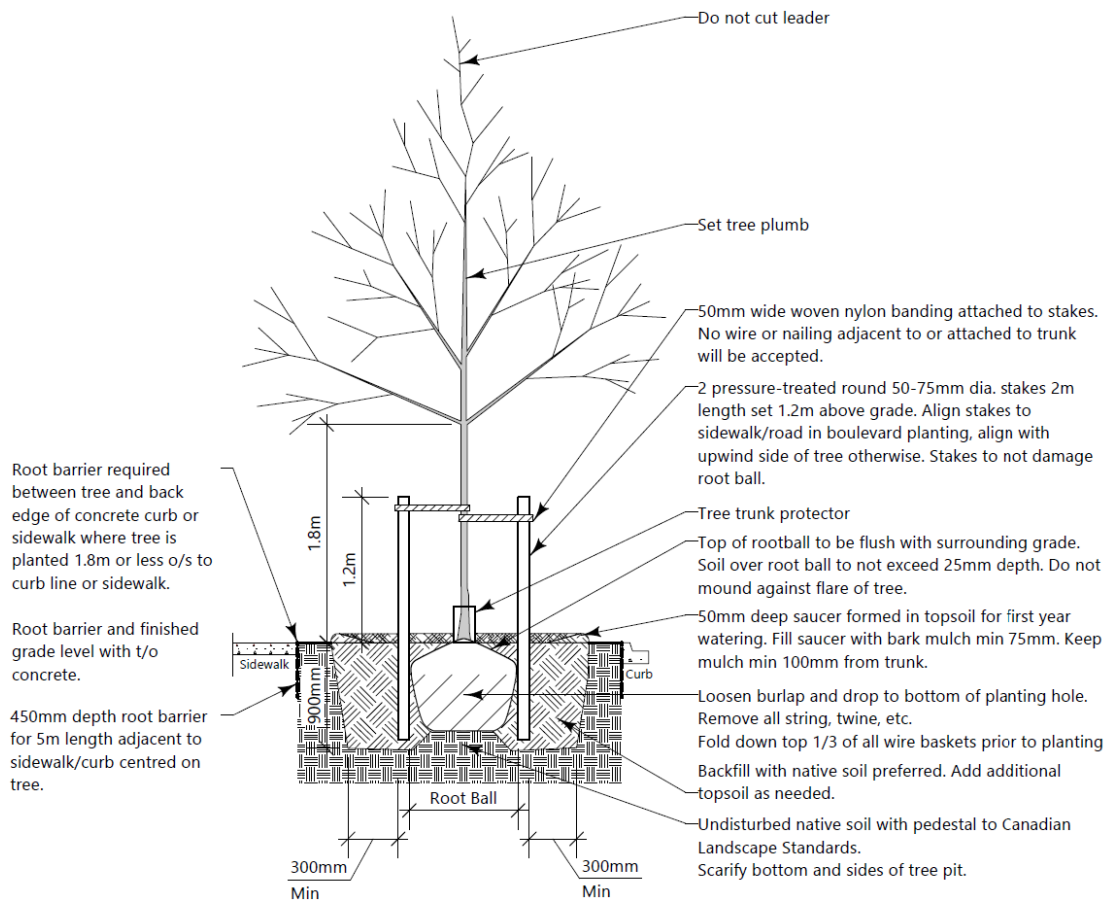
Before a permit is issued, the applicant must provide a [refundable security deposit](#) for replacement trees.

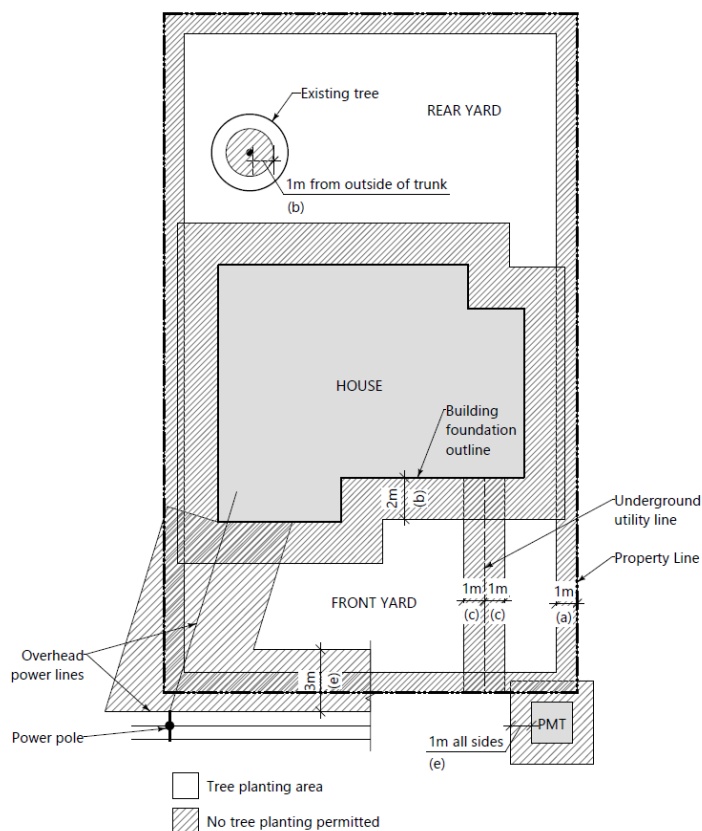
- 50% of the deposit is returned after the City verifies and approves the planting
- The remaining 50% is returned one year later, if the tree(s) are still healthy and approved by the City

Your Arborist must inspect the trees after planting and submit an [inspection report](#) to trees@mapleridge.ca showing date stamped photos and a table showing the tree #, species, caliper, height and location.

If Replacement Tree planting is not feasible, the applicant must pay cash in lieu to the City Tree Reserve.

Replacement Trees must be planted as per the detail below.





Provide minimum 10 m³ soil volume per tree.

Not accepted as Replacement Trees: small stature/dwarf varieties, topiary plants, shrubs, hedging cedars, or common hedging trees and windmill palms.

Number of Replacement Trees Required

Size of Tree to be Retained (DBH) Within Developable Area Only	Replacement Tree Credits
20 cm–39 cm	Two (2) Trees
40 cm–59 cm	Three (3) Trees
More Than 60 cm (Significant Tree)	Four (4) Trees

If, in a calendar year, a Permit authorizes Removal of only one Protected Tree, only one Replacement Tree is required.

Projects Related to a Development Application

- Deciduous: Min. 6 centimetres caliper
- Coniferous: Min. 2.50 metres in height

Projects Not Related to a Development or Building Application

- Deciduous: Min. 4 centimetres caliper or 10 gallon pot size
- Coniferous: Min. 2.0 metres in height

Near a Wildfire Risk Area? Choose [FireSmart Landscaping](#) and use the [Fire-resistant plant tool](#) to select your Replacement Tree Species

Replacement Trees Shall Not Be Planted:

- Within 1.0 metre of a property line
- Within 2.0 metres of a permitted building or structure foundation wall
- within 1.0 metre of underground utility service lines including but not limited to sanitary, storm, water, or electrical
- within 1.0 metre of another tree
- within 3.0 metres of overhead powerlines
- within 1.0 metre of the side and 3.0 metres of the front of a pad mounted transformer (PMT)

A full version of the City of Maple Ridge Tree Protection and Management Bylaw is available at [Tree Protection & Management Bylaw No. 8045-2026](#).

For information regarding tree cutting permit requirements, contact the Facilities, Parks and Properties Department at Trees@MapleRidge.ca

This information is provided for convenience only and is not a substitution of applicable City Bylaws, Provincial or Federal Codes or Laws. You must satisfy yourself that any existing or proposed construction or other works complies with such Bylaws, Codes or other laws.