

MAINTENANCE NEEDS

Crisis

Trees given a crisis designation are those which have a hanging limb greater than seven 7.5 centimeters in diameter and are in immediate danger of falling or trees which have split trunks.

Hazard

Trees assigned this maintenance designation could pose a potential risk to public safety or property. They are not in need of immediate work but are cause for concern. They possess one or all of the following characteristics.

- 30 to 50 per cent dead wood
- a hanging limb under 7.5 centimeters in diameter that is not stable in the crown
- a hanging limb or broken limb stable in the crown
- a split trunk exhibiting grey wood or decay
- 5 or more fungal bodies in diverse locations on the tree

Interference

Trees that interfere with signs, overhead wires, roads or other trees.

Removal

Trees listed for removal have greater than 50 per cent dead wood or are growing in an inappropriate location (eg: in the middle of the sidewalk). Stumps with shoot growth over 1 meter tall and 2.5 centimeters in diameter are also classified as removals because there is still a large amount of living material.

Prune

This designation is used to denote the need for routine maintenance. It is used in cases in which pruning is for aesthetic reasons rather than tree health. A tree in this designation has less than 10 per cent dead wood.

Ground Prune

Indicates all trees that are under 35 meters tall which need only routine maintenance and require at most a pole pruner. The primary purpose for the inclusion of this designation is to better define crew and equipment requirements for this specific location.

Planting

Identify species, size, location and number of trees.

Stump

Stump is a tree stump that does not have any significant shoot growth.

Other

Any other maintenance requirements not identified above.

Crew and Equipment

Define the crew and equipment requirements for this specific location.

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