

City of Margate City
Department of
Building Inspection
9001 Winchester
Avenue
Margate City, New
Jersey 08402



Tree Affidavit

Must Obtain Zoning Approval Prior to Removal/Replacement

Often, when a homeowner decides to build a new home, put in a new pool, driveway, etc., they find that a tree or two is in the way of the new construction. In anticipation of this project, sometimes trees get removed. Generally, green space is being eliminated, and some homeowners do not realize that the City of Margate has minimum landscape standards for residential property. When a tree gets removed, more often than not, it will need to be replaced. Plans must show minimum landscaping requirements can still be met in conjunction with the new project. See chapter 175-26 "Landscaping" of the Code of the City of Margate City, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey.

The following principles shall be considered:

- Existing trees located within 10 feet of any street right-of-way shall be maintained unless shown to be removed as part of an approved plan. The existing grade within that space shall not be disturbed.
- Existing large trees (more than six-inch caliper) shall be saved by not varying the grade around the trees by more than six to 12 inches, by construction of tree wells and by erecting protective fences.

Do you need a permit to remove or replace trees?

➤A tree removal permit is not required. However, you MUST obtain approval from the Zoning Officer before removing a tree.

OWNER'S AFFIDAVIT

1. I AM THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY SCHEDULED TO BE DEMOLISHED LOCATED AT:

_____ (Address)

BLOCK: _____ LOT: _____

2. I, _____, AS OWNER OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT AND UNDERSTAND THAT I MAY BE REQUIRED TO REPLACE ANY TREE(S) AFFECTED BY THIS PROJECT. I FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES, I MAY BE REQUIRED TO ADD TREE(S) BASED UPON A ZONING INSPECTION OF EXISTING CONDITIONS DURING PERMIT REVIEWS.
3. I UNDERSTAND THAT BEFORE REMOVING A TREE, I MUST OBTAIN ZONING APPROVAL.
4. THAT IF I PROCEED WITHOUT PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT AND ENSURING THE PUBLIC SAFETY OF STRUCTURES IN THE CITY OF MARGATE, I SHALL BE SUBJECT TO PENALTIES OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000 FOR EACH VIOLATION.

Signature

Date

As witness the hand and seal of the owner of the subject property this ____ day of _____, 20_____.

(SEAL)

Signature Notary Public, State of New Jersey