

The Tree Preservation Program covers the following Areas of Responsibility:

- Hillsboro Beach, Lauderdale By The Sea, Lauderdale Lakes, Lazy Lake, Lighthouse Point, North Lauderdale, Pembroke Park, Sea Ranch Lakes, Tamarac, Wilton Manors
- Broward Municipal Services District/ Unincorporated Broward County.
- Broward County controlled properties and facilities.
- Broward County Environmentally Designated Lands: Local Area of Particular Concern (LAPC); Urban Wilderness Inventory Area (UWIA); Natural Resource Area (NRA); Environmentally Sensitive Land (ESL); Natural Forest Community (NFC).
- Sites under the control of The School Board of Broward County, Florida

To obtain further information about the tree removal/relocation application process or to schedule a tree removal/relocation inspection, contact the Tree Preservation Program directly at 954-519-1483.



Report Tree Abuse

For all complaints regarding tree abuse, unlicensed tree removal or any other violation of the County's Tree Preservation and Abuse Ordinance, please contact the Environmental Complaint Hot Line at **954-519-1499**.



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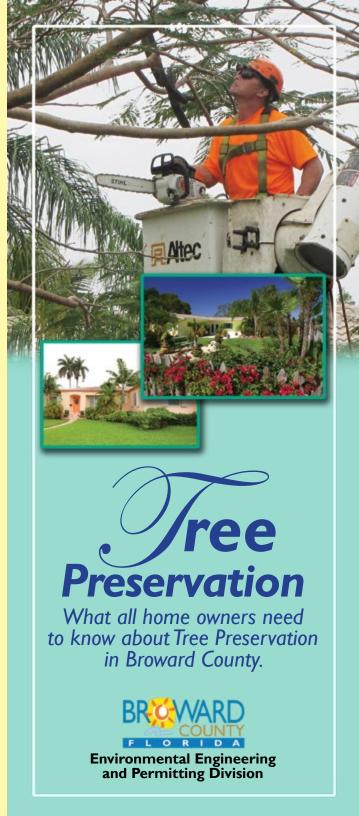
Environmental Protection and Growth Management Department

Environmental Engineering and Permitting Division I N. University Drive, Plantation, Fl 33324

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Tree Preservation Program

Broward County's tree canopy is protected by the County's Tree Preservation and Abuse Ordinance (Chapter 27, Article XIV, Broward County Code of Ordinances (BCC), and enforced by the Tree Preservation Program of the Environmental Engineering and Permitting Division (EEPD).

Contact Us

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Know the Regulations

The Tree Preservation and Abuse Ordinance regulates the following:

- a license is required prior to the removal or relocation of any tree unless the tree qualifies for an exemption. To qualify for licensing, trees must meet the County's licensing standards (Sec. 27-408(c)(5), BCC). Trees shall be relocated unless it is demonstrated that relocation is not a viable alternative. To apply for a Tree Removal/Relocation License, visit the **ePermits** web site and search for Tree Removal.
- Broward County Environmental
 Designated Lands a license is required to develop environmentally designated lands. During the licensing process, the most ecologically viable portion of the sites are identified, preserved by a conservation easement, and enhanced.
- Protection During Construction –
 Onsite pre-construction meetings are
 required prior to any clearing/tree
 removal/tree relocation activities. The area
 within the drip lines of preserved trees
 must be protected from construction
 impacts and encroachment.
- Payments into and expenditures
 from the Tree Preservation Trust
 Fund If the County determines that tree
 replacement is not feasible due to a lack of
 available planting space, the licensee may pay
 into the Broward County Tree Preservation
 Trust Fund in lieu of actual tree replacement.
 The Fund is used for tree planting projects
 and tree giveaways that enhance the tree
 canopy of Broward County.



Tree Pruning/Trimming –

Tree Trimming is a regulated business in Broward County (Chapter 9, Article XI, BCC). Tree trimming contractors must hold a valid Broward County Tree Trimmer's License, and a qualified person must be present when tree trimming is taking place. Whether you trim your own trees, or hire a licensed contractor, all trimming shall follow standards set by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). The improper pruning of trees and palms, such as "hat racking", "topping", "stub cutting" or "excessive lifting" is prohibited. Corrective pruning, or other remedial actions which may include removal and replacement, shall be required for abused trees.