

**City of Minneola**  
**800 N. U.S. Hwy 27, Minneola, Florida 34715**  
**Phone (352) 394-3598 x2202 Fax (352) 394-5278**

**Tree Removal Application**  
**Upon Removal of Tree(s), call for Inspection**

**Check list for application:**

- **Property Record Card**
- **Plot survey showing location of all trees on property. Indicate ones for removal.**

Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**\$10.00 per Tree**  
**\$250.00 per Tree if it is removed w/out permit**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Key # \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Subdivision \_\_\_\_\_ Lot # \_\_\_\_\_

Removal Contractor \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Date of removal \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Tree(s) \_\_\_\_\_ # to be Removed \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate Height \_\_\_\_\_ & Diameter of Tree(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Why Removal is requested \_\_\_\_\_

Site Address if different from owner \_\_\_\_\_

**Before the removal of the trees and approval of application, an inspection will be conducted by a representative of the City of Minneola to assess the trees located on the property.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Homeowner/Authorized Applicant's Signature                      Printed Name

**Tree Removal Permit is Valid for 30 days from date issued. EXPIRES: \_\_\_\_\_**

APPROVED By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Approved \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of request for Inspection: \_\_\_\_\_ INSPECTION By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_**

### Replacement of Tree(s)

Upon Inspection by a City Employee, Should it be determined that with the removal of the tree, it will be necessary to plant a replacement

- ◇ Replacement to be completed within 180 days of Expiration Date of Application
- ◇ Residential lots 10,000 sq. ft. or less are required to have 2 canopies and 1 under story tree
- ◇ Residential lots greater than 10,000 sq. ft. are required to have 3 canopies and 1 under story
- ◇ Replacement of trees removed with a permit is 25 percent DBH of removed trees
- ◇ Replacement of trees removed without a permit is 50 percent DBH of removed trees
- ◇ Minimum height of canopy trees shall be 8 ft. w/ a 3 inch caliper at 6 inch height above grade
- ◇ Minimum height of understory trees shall be 8 ft. w/ a 2 inch caliper at 6 inch height above grade
- ◇ A List of Approved Trees upon request

### Exemptions

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary within this chapter, the following activities shall be lawful without application or issuance of a clearing and tree removal permit. None of these exemptions shall apply to any specimen or historic tree, upland native plant community conservation area, or wetland conservation area.

The burden of proving entitlement to any particular exemption shall lie with the person claiming use of the exemption.

- (1) The removal, trimming, pruning or alteration of any unprotected tree.
- (2) Routine landscape maintenance such as trimming or pruning of vegetation which is not intended to result in the eventual death of the plants, mowing of yards or lawns, or any other landscaping or gardening activity which is commonly recognized as routine maintenance or replacement.
- (3) The removal, trimming, pruning or alteration of any tree or vegetation in an existing utility easement or right-of-way provided such work is done by or under the control of the operating utility company with city personnel supervising the operation and said company has received all necessary licenses or permits to provide utility service within the easement.
- (4) The removal, pruning, trimming or alteration of any tree or vegetation for the purpose of maintaining existing access to a property.
- (5) Removal of any tree which is diseased or has been destroyed or damaged beyond saving, or which constitutes an immediate peril to life, property, or other trees, may be removed without a permit.
- (6) Removal of trees listed within the non preferred tree list.
- (7) Removal or relocation of trees less than six inches DBH, unless such tree was part of fulfilling the requirements of this section.
- (8) Removal of trees in an emergency situation, as determined by the city manager or designee, when a tree is damaged by a storm or other event when the tree presents a danger to the public.