
TOWNSHIP OF HARDWICK**Zoning Department**

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APPLICATION FOR TREE REMOVAL PERMIT

Please submit all of the following information to the Zoning Office in person, or by mail to: Zoning Official, Hardwick Township Municipal Building, 40 Spring Valley Road, Hardwick, NJ 07825.

NOTE: Please see Chapter 40 of the Code of the Township of Hardwick for "Tree Removal And Replacement" for details of submission requirements and procedures.

APPLICATION COMPLETE: _____
Zoning Official's Signature Date

A. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____
_____Phone No. _____
(Daytime only, please)**B. PROPERTY INFORMATION**

Property Owner: _____

Location: _____

Block: _____ Lot(s): _____

Lot size: _____ Zone: _____

PLEASE PROVIDE PHOTOS OF THE NOTED TREES TO BE REMOVED.**C. Tree Removal Information:**

Is the applicant the property owner? _____ Yes ___ No

Is the property located on a public road? _____ Yes ___ No

How many trees are proposed to be removed? (Number) _____

What are their size (DBH) and species? (If necessary, include an additional sheet)

(Species) _____ (Size) _____

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Is the property where the removal is proposed being used as a nursery, garden center or orchard or contains a working farm? _____ Yes ___ No

Is the property in question the subject of a woodland management plan approved by the State of New Jersey? _____ Yes ___ No

Was the property in question the subject of a tree removal permit application within the last twelve (12) months? _____ Yes ___ No

Did you qualify for an exemption? (See page 2 of 2) _____ Yes ___ No

D. I hereby certify that everything presented in this application package is true to the best of my knowledge and grant permission to inspect subject premises, if necessary, for review:

Applicant's Signature Date Property Owner's Signature Date

THIS PERMIT IS: ☐ ISSUED ☐ DENIED PERMIT NO. _____

Zoning Official's Signature _____ Date _____

PLEASE NOTE: In addition to this Tree Removal permit, applicant is responsible for obtaining all associated local, county and/or state approvals as required by law.

§40-4. Exemptions:

All persons shall comply with the tree replacement standard outlined above, except in the cases detailed below. Proper justification, as outlined below, shall be provided, in writing, with supporting photos, by all persons claiming an exemption.

- A. Tree farms in active operation, nurseries, fruit orchards and garden centers.
- B. Properties used for the practice of silviculture under an approved forest stewardship or woodland management plan, approved by the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the New Jersey Forest Service, that is active and on file with the municipality.
- C. Any trees removed as part of a municipal or state decommissioning plan. This exemption only includes trees planted as part of the construction and predetermined to be removed in the decommissioning plan.
- D. Any trees removed pursuant to a New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), or U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved environmental clean-up, or NJDEP approved habitat enhancement plan.
- E. Approved game management practices, as recommended by the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife.
- F. Hazard trees, as identified by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, may be removed with no fee or replacement requirement.
- G. Removal of invasive trees.
- H. Any tree which is part of cemetery.
- I. Tree directed to be removed by municipal, County, State or Federal authority pursuant to law.
- J. Pruning or removal of trees within the right-of-way by utility companies for the maintenance of utility wires or pipelines.
- K. Trees removed in conjunction with farmland greater than five (5) acres in size, that will be actively devoted primarily to agricultural uses, where the owner desires to remove any trees for the purpose of expanding the farmland(s). The owner is required to submit a tree-removal plan to the Township Committee and receive such approval before commencing any such removal.
- L. Fallen trees due to exceptionally high winds, a snowstorm, a hurricane or any other kind of natural disaster.
- M. Tree planted in a decorative planter.

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