

Public Tree Permit Fee Benchmarking

Appendix 2

Region or Municipality	Description of Fees	Fees	Additional Comments
Mississauga	Public Tree Permit Base Fee (First Tree Included)	\$ 304	Proposed application fees to injure or remove Public trees associated with activity that includes but is not limited to building, demolition, excavation, boring, placement of fill or surface treatment, storage of construction material or equipment, storage of soil, construction waste or debris, movement of vehicles or equipment. Fees are applicable to both internal and external groups and recover 100% of staff costs.
	Additional Tree Fee	\$ 110	
Toronto	City Tree, Non-Construction Related application (Per Tree)	\$ 124	Applications to injure or remove trees not associated with construction or related activity. Fees are applicable to both internal and external groups and recover 100% of staff costs. <i>Municipal Code, Chapter 813</i>
	City Tree, Construction Related Application (Per Tree)	\$ 370	Applications to injure or remove trees associated with activity that includes but is not limited to building, demolition, excavation, boring, placement of fill or surface treatment, storage of construction materials or equipment, storage of soil, construction waste or debris, movement of vehicles and equipment. Applications for Official plan amendment, plan of subdivision and condominiums, site plan control, minor variance, consent and building permits. Fees are applicable to both internal and external groups and recover 100% of staff costs. <i>Municipal Code, Chapter 813</i>
Brampton	Varies (Case-By-Case Basis)	\$ -	The Commissioner may issue a Permit to injure a Tree provided the applicant meets all conditions under Part V, section 18 of <i>By-Law 317-2012</i> . City does not recover 100% of costs associated with removal, replacement and staff time if permit is approved.
Oakville	Municipal Tree Protection Permit, Non-Development Related (Per Tree)	\$ 175	Applications for injury/removal not associated with Planning Act Application or Infill Development i.e. driveway reconstruction. No fee recoveries when permits get challenged or require more administrative or investigative work. Internal Departments follow the same procedures but are not charged any permit fees. <i>By-Law 2009-025</i>
	Municipal Tree Protection Permit, Development Related (Per Tree)	\$ 390	Applications for injury/removal associated with Planning Act Application or Infill Development. No fee recoveries when permits get challenged or require more administrative or investigative work. Internal Departments follow the same procedures but are not charged any permit fees. <i>By-Law 2009-025</i>
	Tree Protection Zone Encroachment Permit (Per Property)	\$ 580	Tree Protection Zone Encroachment Permits are typically issued to utility companies relating to excavation works around a tree root system. Fees associated to the permit are reflective of the complex nature of the permits. Internal Departments follow the same procedures but are not charged any permit fees. <i>By-Law 2009-025</i>
Burlington	Public Tree Permit, Development Related (Per Property)	\$ 680	Permit Fee is per property and includes both public and private tree permissions. Applications for injury/removal associated with Planning Act Application or Infill Development. By-Law currently under review.

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Hamilton	Minor Permit (Per Property/Project)	\$ 60	Minor Permit Fees include driveway repairs and minor building permits. <i>By-Law 15-125</i>
	Major Permit (Per Property/Project)	\$ 300	Major Permit Fees are applicable to all applications that require a tree management plan. <i>By-Law 15-125</i>
Markham	Varies (Case-By-Case Basis)	\$ -	Permissions required from City's Parks Department prior to the injury or removal of trees on Markham property. No <i>By-Law 2008-96</i>
Vaughan	Varies (Case-By-Case Basis)	\$ -	Permissions required prior to removing or injuring any City trees. <i>By-Law 052-2018</i> .
Guelph	Varies (Case-By-Case Basis)	\$ -	Minimum \$500 or appraised value using trunk formula method – voluntary payment by request from City in lieu of legal action. No Public Tree By-Law or permitting process.
Ottawa	Applications associated with Planning Act Applications	\$ -	Included in Development Application Fees. <i>By-Law 2020-340</i>
	Infill Development (Per Tree)	\$ 500	\$500 per tree, to a maximum of \$2,500. <i>By-Law 2020-340</i>
	Applications for removal not associated with a Planning Act Application or Infill Development (Per Tree)	\$ 150	\$150 per tree to a maximum of \$750. <i>By-Law 2020-340</i>
Vancouver	Varies (Case-By-Case Basis)	\$ -	Permissions required prior to removing or injuring any City trees. No permitting process under Vancouver's Street Tree <i>By-Law 5985-92</i> .