

The Hills Shire Council

TREE REMOVAL REGULATIONS

SUMMARY

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THE HILLS
Sydney's Garden Shire

Can I remove a tree in The Hills Shire Council without a council permit?

Yes, but under certain conditions

Under what conditions?

A tree may be removed without council permission if the tree;

- 1) Is a perennial plant with a self-supporting woody stem
- 2) Is smaller than 6m in height
- 3) Has a spread less than 3m
- 4) Has a trunk diameter of more than 300mm measured at the base.
- 5) Within 3m of an Existing Approved Dwelling or Ancillary Structure
- 6) Dead or Dangerous Trees

Exempt trees

There are trees that can be removed no matter what their size or condition as they are considered a pest by your local council. The above listed conditions do not apply.

See table below

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Does my council have an exempt tree list?

Yes, see table below

Common Name	Botanical name	Identify reference
Box Elder	Acer negundo	https://tinyurl.com/jfv6cx8
Tree of Heaven	Ailanthus altissima	https://tinyurl.com/hdheb6v
Rubber	Hevea brasiliensis	https://tinyurl.com/o54zolh
Evergreen Alder	Alnus jorullensis	https://tinyurl.com/ycccwpjj
Silk Tree	Albizia julibrissin	https://tinyurl.com/ydc4opjm
Umbrella	Schefflera actinophylla	https://tinyurl.com/hg2dzan
Alexandara Palm	Archontophoenix alexandrae	https://tinyurl.com/ybu3a4gp
Bangalow Palm	Archontophoenix cunninghamiana	https://tinyurl.com/ya894v8t
Hackberry	Celtis	https://tinyurl.com/haaus4g
Cocos Palm	Syagrus romanzoffiana	https://tinyurl.com/yaz5z2mo
Oleander	Nerium oleander	https://tinyurl.com/zmqwhfh
African olive	Olea europaea	https://tinyurl.com/cptpcgo
Fiddlewood	Citharexylum spinosum	https://tinyurl.com/y9z6gmm6
Cotoneaster	Cotoneaster	https://tinyurl.com/y84xxb2a
Pencil Pine	Cupressus sempervirens	https://tinyurl.com/y9ynvdca
Weeping Fig	Ficus benjamina	https://tinyurl.com/gvaq32t
Indian Rubber Tree	Ficus elastic	https://tinyurl.com/ojgckw
Honey Locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	https://tinyurl.com/y9to8hok
Kaffir Plum	Harpephyllum caffrum	https://tinyurl.com/y8eky82e

Norfolk Island Hibiscus	Lagunaria	https://tinyurl.com/y925lg86
Broad Leaved Privet	Ligustrum lucidum	https://tinyurl.com/y9f3txml
Small Leaved Privet	Ligustrum sinense	https://tinyurl.com/ydxbdr3w
Sweet Pittosporum	Pittosporum undulatum	https://tinyurl.com/yd3rqzue
Lombardy Poplar	Populus nigra	https://tinyurl.com/y8nesszc
False Acacia/Black Locust	Robinia pseudoacacia	https://tinyurl.com/8ypr4qv
Weeping willow	Salix babylonica	https://tinyurl.com/yburvc8w
Broadleaf Pepper Tree	Schinus terebinthifolia	https://tinyurl.com/ydfs2dhh
Brazilian Mastic	Pistacia lentiscus	https://tinyurl.com/yanhwg6r
Athel Tree	Tamarix aphylla	https://tinyurl.com/y8jeggfy
Leyland Cypress	Cupressus × leylandii	https://tinyurl.com/y9yn5dqm

Trees of the following species may be pruned or removed without development consent if the height of the tree is less than 10m:

Common Name	Botanical name	Identify reference
Bunya Bunya Pine	Araucaria bidwillii	https://tinyurl.com/jtgf57c
Hoop Pine	Araucaria cunninghamii	https://tinyurl.com/yal3j3bx
Norfolk Island pine	Araucaria heterophylla	https://tinyurl.com/yys2ls7y
Camphor Laurel	Cinnamomum camphora	https://tinyurl.com/jfw5j3m
Monterey Cypress	Cupressus macrocarpa	https://tinyurl.com/yd5bly79
Coral Tree	Erythrina	https://tinyurl.com/y7b28txa
Liquidambar	Liquidambar styraciflua	https://tinyurl.com/hytxa4x
White Cedar	Thuja occidentalis	https://tinyurl.com/yccd2mgm
Monterey Pine/Radiata Pine	Pinus radiata	https://tinyurl.com/n8puymp

How to apply for a tree removal permit

<https://tinyurl.com/yazhx6ks>

Go to the above online form and fill it out to make a formal request for tree removal approval.

The Hill Shire Council contact details

Phone: 61298430555

Mailing Address: PO Box 7064, Baulkham Hills BC 1755

Website: <https://www.thehills.nsw.gov.au>

The Hill Share Tree Preservation order - TPO

The above is a summary for your local Councils tree preservation order. Please follow the link for the full document.

<https://www.thehills.nsw.gov.au/Services/Environmental-Management/Trees/Trees-on-Private-Land>



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<u>Nelson</u>	<u>2765</u>
<u>North Rocks</u>	<u>2151</u>
<u>Rouse Hill</u>	<u>2155</u>
<u>Sackville North</u>	<u>2756</u>
<u>South Maroota</u>	<u>2756</u>
<u>West Pennant Hills</u>	<u>2125</u>
<u>Winston Hills</u>	<u>2153</u>
<u>Wisemans Ferry</u>	<u>2775</u>

This is a summary of the stated councils Tree Preservation Orders. The above information was accurate at the time of posting, but you should always check with council before removing trees if you are unsure. The above information deals with trees on private property.