

# Application for Significant Tree Permit

(Under General Local Law)

Unless there are special circumstances requiring an agent, the applicant should be the owner or occupier of the property where the tree is located. If an agent is applying please provide written consent from the owner of the land to act on their behalf.

Please supply the following information:

## Applicant contact details (permit and invoice shall be sent to applicant):

Name:	
Organisation:	
Street address:	
Suburb:	Postcode:
Postal address:	
Suburb:	Postcode:
Contact phone:	Mobile:
e-mail:	

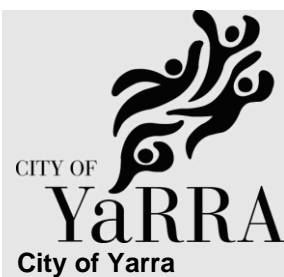
Please note a non-refundable application fee and a permit fee is applicable to Significant Tree applications. The application fee must be paid at the time of lodgement; if this fee is not paid the application will not be assessed. The permit fee will be issued after the application has been assessed and the permit will be issued once payment has been made.

## Location and description of trees to be pruned or removed:

Street no.:	
Street name:	
Suburb:	Postcode:
Number of trees:	
Identify trees to be lopped or removed and attach photos of the tree or trees, showing location and condition:	

#	Botanical name of tree	Location on property	Diameter of tree	Prune or remove
				<input type="checkbox"/> Prune <input type="checkbox"/> Remove
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For more than 5 trees, attach a separate list.



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Give reason for these trees to be removed or lopped:  
 (Note: if structural damage is a reason for tree removal, all relevant evidence should be supplied with the application. This may include photographs and a structural engineer's report.)


Give details of planned replacement planting or reasons why none is required:


Signing this application authorises Council's officer or contractor to enter the property. If access to neighbouring properties is required (e.g. to assess alleged structural damage) please provide written authorisation from the neighbouring property owner.

<b>Name of property owner (please print)</b>	
<b>Signature of property owner (&amp; position title if a corporate owner):</b>	<b>Date:</b> /     / 20

*The personal information requested on this form is being collected by Council so it may consider your application in accordance with Council's Local Laws. The personal information will be used solely by Council for these purposes or directly related purposes. Council may disclose this information to other Council departments, and any other organisations that may be affected by the works. The applicant understands that the personal information provided is for the above purpose and that he or she may apply to Council for access to or amendment of the information. Requests for access or correction should be made to Council's Privacy Officer on 9205 5555 or [info@yarracity.vic.gov.au](mailto:info@yarracity.vic.gov.au)*

**This application is only to prune or remove trees on private property. To occupy a road or footpath a permit is required. Please contact Council on 9205 5555.**

**The law:  
Yarra City Council  
General Local Law**

7.42 “**significant tree**” means a tree which meets one or more of the following criteria:

7.42.1 the tree is single trunked with a trunk diameter of 400 mm or greater measured at 1500 mm (1.5m) above the ground; or

7.42.2 the tree is multi-trunked with a combined trunk diameter of 400mm or greater at 1500 mm (1.5m) above the ground; or

7.42.3 the tree is individually listed on the significant tree register;

7.42.4 the tree is one of a group of trees listed on the significant tree register; or

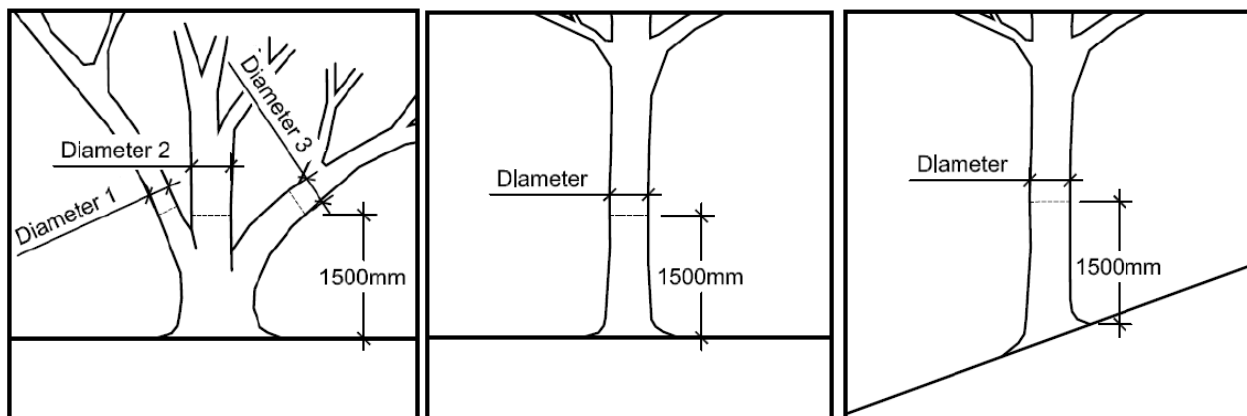
7.42.5 the tree is single trunked with a trunk diameter of 400 mm or greater measured at ground level; or

7.42.6 the tree is multi-trunked with a combined trunk diameter of 400 mm or greater measured at ground level;

7.43 “**significant tree register**” means a register of trees of cultural significance to the Council, which is kept and maintained by Council;

## Determination of Significant Trees

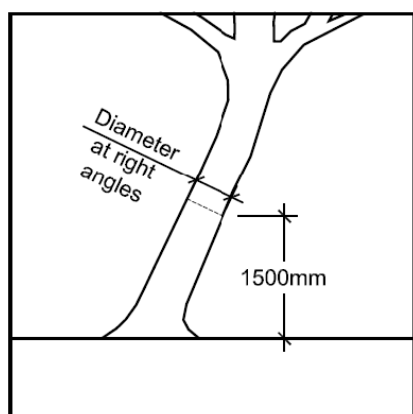
For the purpose of determining a significant tree, the trunk diameter of the tree is to be measured as per the following diagrams:



1. Multi-trunk Tree

2. Standard Tree

3. Tree on sloping ground



4. Leaning Tree

Combined trunk diameter: The individual trunk diameters of a multi-trunked tree are expressed as an equivalent single stem diameter. This is calculated using the following formula:

$$\text{Combined trunk diameter} = \sqrt{(\text{Diameter 1})^2 + (\text{Diameter 2})^2 + (\text{Diameter 3})^2 \text{ etc...}}$$

## Matters to be considered when assessing applications

In considering whether to grant a permit for the removal of a significant tree or cutting, trimming, pruning or taking any other action which may endanger the health of the tree, Council may consider:

- (a) whether it is necessary to obtain an arborist's report
- (b) whether the tree is included on any register
- (c) has planning approval been provided or is it required
- (d) the reason for the request
- (e) impact on the amenity and safety of the area
- (f) impact on any nearby buildings or structures
- (g) any proposed replacement planting, and
- (h) any other relevant matter.