



# Public Shade Tree Review Application

1014 Darby Road, Havertown, PA 19083

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To view the Haverford Township Code, Chapter 170: Tree Code, visit [eCode360](#).

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of work:       Tree removal       Tree pruning       Tree planting

Submitted with:       Grading Permit\*       Land Development\*       Not applicable

*\*If submitting with a Grading Permit or Land Development, please include a site plan and planting plan in accordance with Haverford Township Code §170-4(B).*

Please describe the tree(s) you would like to remove, including the species, location, and diameter of each tree:

Reason for tree removal:

Tree(s) are dead

Tree(s) are diseased

Tree(s) are damaged/dangerous

Tree(s) are impacting utilities

Tree(s) impact proposed improvements

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your plan for replanting, if any:



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## General Regulations

A Shade Tree Permit is required before removing any tree subject to Haverford Township's Shade Tree Ordinance. Applications must include all required documentation, including a site plan, tree inventory, and replacement plan, if applicable. Heritage Trees (30 inches DBH or greater) require review by the Shade Tree Commission before a permit may be approved. DBH (diameter at breast height) is the standard method of measuring a tree's diameter and is taken at 4.5 feet above the ground. The Township may require additional information or conduct a site inspection to verify compliance with the ordinance. Every property owner shall maintain trees on private property so that branches overhanging public sidewalks provide a minimum clearance of 12 feet for mature trees and 9 feet for newly planted trees, and branches overhanging public streets provide a minimum clearance of 14 feet. All applications must be submitted to Mia Badman at [mbadman@havtwp.com](mailto:mbadman@havtwp.com).

## Applicability

These regulations apply to the removal of public shade trees and to tree removal associated with land development, subdivisions, and projects requiring grading permits. Applications must identify all trees measuring 4 inches DBH or greater within the proposed disturbance area and clearly indicate which trees are to remain and which are proposed for removal.

## Tree Replacement Formula

Trees measuring less than 30 inches DBH must be replaced at a rate of one caliper inch of new tree for every four inches of DBH removed. Heritage Trees (30 inches DBH or greater) must be replaced on a one-to-one basis, with one caliper inch of new tree for every one inch of DBH removed. All replacement trees must have a minimum caliper of 2 inches. If the Township determines that on-site replacement planting is impractical or impossible, the applicant may make a fee-in-lieu payment at the rate established by the Board of Commissioners.

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I certify that I am either the property owner or an authorized representative of the property owner. I further certify that I have read and understand all applicable regulations, requirements, and conditions governing this application. I certify that the information provided in this application has been completed to the best of my knowledge and is true, accurate, and complete.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_