

Lakeshore Village Tree Care Policy

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1 Overview

1.1 All trees in the village must be maintained in a manner approved by the Lakeshore Village Tree Committee. Homeowners are not allowed to prune, remove, plant, or otherwise maintain trees unless the work is specifically approved in writing by the Tree Committee.

1.2 The exception to trees maintained by Lakeshore Village is that all trees located inside a homeowner's courtyard or patio area are their responsibility to maintain and remove when necessary. A homeowner may be asked to prune or remove such a tree in the event it is determined to be an imminent hazard to a neighboring unit or common Lakeshore Village area. This will include hazards to the structure of a unit, a foundation or patio, or to the safety of individuals walking in the village.

1.3 For trees which are the responsibility of homeowners, they may contract with a certified arborist and pay for the work on their own for specific tree work. All requests must be in writing and the arborist must provide a detailed quotation, proof of certification, and proof of insurance.

1.4 Lakeshore Village intends to maintain the same percentage of tree cover as currently exists. Therefore, it is the intention of the Village to plant one replacement tree for each tree removed. The tree planted will be of similar type. For example: Shade and Canopy Trees will be replaced with trees of similar mature size and growth habit based on the Approved Species List. Medium and Flowering Trees will be replaced with similar type trees from the Approved List

1.5 The Tree Committee will work with individual homeowners when planting Common Area trees in order to accommodate desired placement and species.

1.6 The Tree Committee will work with individual homeowners to review plant material selections and placement for exterior landscape projects along Non Common Area exterior foundation walls and within private courtyards.

2 Species

2.1 Approved species include:

Large Canopy Tree Species:

[*Acer rubrum*](#) (Red Maple)
[*Acer saccharum*](#) (Sugar Maple)
[*Catalpa speciosa*](#) (Catalpa)
[*Gymnocladus dioicus*](#) (Kentucky Coffeetree)
[*Liquidambar styraciflua*](#) (Sweetgum)
[*Liriodendron tulipifera*](#) (Tulip Poplar, Tuliptree, Tulip Magnolia, Yellow Poplar)
[*Nyssa sylvatica*](#) (Black Gum, Black Tupelo, Sour Gum)
[*Picea orientalis*](#) (Oriental Spruce)
[*Platanus x acerifolia*](#) (London Planetree)
[*Quercus bicolor*](#) (Swamp White Oak)
[*Quercus muehlenbergii*](#) (Chinkapin Oak, Yellow Chestnut Oak)
[*Quercus shumardii*](#) (Shumard Oak)
[*Taxodium distichum*](#) (Bald Cypress)
[*Thuja occidentalis*](#) (Eastern Arborvitae, American Arborvitae)
[*Tsuga canadensis*](#) (Eastern Hemlock)

Medium Canopy Tree Species:

[*Acer ginnala*](#) (Amur Maple)
[*Acer palmatum*](#) (Japanese Maple)
[*Acer tataricum*](#) (Tatarian Maple)
[*Betula nigra*](#) (River Birch)
[*Cladrastis kentuckea*](#) {lutea} (Kentucky Yellowwood)
[*Koelreuteria paniculata*](#) (Golden Raintree)
[*Sassafras albidum*](#) (Sassafras)
[*Ulmus parvifolia*](#) (Lacebark Elm, Chinese Elm)

Small Flowering Tree Species:

[*Amelanchier laevis*](#) (Allegheny Serviceberry)
[*Carpinus caroliniana*](#) (American Hornbeam)
[*Cercis canadensis*](#) (Eastern Redbud)
[*Cornus kousa*](#) (Kousa Dogwood)
[*Crataegus spp.*](#) (Hawthorn varieties)
[*Magnolia virginiana*](#) (Sweetbay Magnolia)
[*Prunus serrulata*](#) 'Kwanzan' (Kwanzan Cherry)

2.2 Unapproved species include:

Trees:

Acer saccharinum (Silver Maple) - poor structure
Betula spp. other than nigra (Species other than River Birch) - not hardy in our region
Gleditsia triacanthos (Thornless Honey Locust) - invasive roots, general decline
Malus spp. (Crabapple) - apple scab
Pyrus calleryana (Flowering pear) - poor structure
Quercus palustris (Pin Oak) - blight
Ulmus pumila (Siberian Elm) - poor structure

Shrubs

Nandina domestica (Heavenly Bamboo)
Poaceae (Bamboo Species)
Spirea japonica (Japanese Spirea)
Lonicera japonica (Japanese Honeysuckle)
Berberis thunbergii (Crimson Barberry)
Rhamnus cathartica (Buckthorn)
Euonymus alatus (Burning Bush)

2.3 All other species may or may not be approved based upon fit with the existing flora, soil conditions, climate conditions, disease resistance, and other factors.