

FORT LAUDERDALE

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# TREE REMOVAL PERMIT INFORMATION

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SUMMARY

# TREE REMOVAL PERMIT

## FORT LAUDERDALE FL



### Do I need a permit to remove my tree(s)?

In most cases yes, but under certain conditions you do not need a permit.

### When can I remove my tree(s) without a permit?

You can remove a tree without a permit from the city when;

- The tree is smaller than 10 feet.
- The tree is dead or poses an immediate threat to persons or property. (This will need to be carried out by a licensed arborist and photographic documentation to be taken)
- A species listed as exempt in the below list.

### Exempt trees

These are trees that can be removed no matter what their size or condition as they are considered a pest in your city. The above listed conditions do not apply.

Common Name	Botanical name	Identify reference
Australian pine	Casuarina equisetifolia	<a href="https://bit.ly/2CeRNlu">https://bit.ly/2CeRNlu</a>
Bishopwood	Bischofia javanica	<a href="https://bit.ly/2F1s1Sa">https://bit.ly/2F1s1Sa</a>
Brazilian Pepper	Schinus terebinthifolius	<a href="https://bit.ly/2VX06tO">https://bit.ly/2VX06tO</a>
Earleaf Acacia	Acacia auriculiformis	<a href="https://bit.ly/2TQK7QE">https://bit.ly/2TQK7QE</a>
Melaleuca	Melaleuca quinquenervia	<a href="https://bit.ly/2VZlfU5">https://bit.ly/2VZlfU5</a>
Norfolk Island Pine	Araucaria heterophylla	<a href="https://bit.ly/2EWQlzo">https://bit.ly/2EWQlzo</a>
Pencil pine	Mediterranean cypress	<a href="https://bit.ly/2T385n1">https://bit.ly/2T385n1</a>
Poisonwood	Metopium	<a href="https://bit.ly/2HfQ1op">https://bit.ly/2HfQ1op</a>

Umbrella tree	Schefflera	<a href="https://bit.ly/2Cj6owm">https://bit.ly/2Cj6owm</a>
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## How to apply for a tree removal permit

<http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6382>

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

## Fort Lauderdale arbor dept. contact details

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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.