

# Denver Forestry Division Fact Sheet

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## Landscape Planning

This checklist and following information is provided in order to ensure an efficient development plan review approval by Denver Forestry. The below information shall be required on all development plans. Omission of any of the information may result in denial of your plans and/or permit process.

### Approved street trees in the right-of-way:

- Check our list of street trees currently acceptable in Denver
- If you do not see a particular tree on the list, the tree may not be planted. Please call the Forestry office for an explanation of any trees not included on the list
- Use ornamental trees (trees maturing less than 30' in height) only when overhead utilities exist
- All proposed trees shall be of 2" caliper

### Make a plan and label all icons with the following information for:

- Existing Trees: label with species, DBH, to remain or remove
- Proposed Trees: label with species Tree spacing
- 35' between large shade trees
- 25' between ornamentals
- 25' between ornamentals and shade trees
- In hardscape areas, the spacing above is reduced to 30', 20', 20', respectively
- 30' from outside edge of intersecting curbs for sight triangle
- 20' from street lights
- 10' from alleys, driveways, and hydrants
- 7' from attached walks
- For variances or exceptions to the above: please call the Forestry office.

### Include appropriate details for:

- Tree planting
- Tree retention and protection if existing to remain
- Tree grate.

### Include irrigation note in general notes on landscape plan:

- Trees to be watered on separate zone from turf
- How bubbler, drip emitter, etc.

### Include a plant schedule including the following:

- Botanical name
- Common name
- Caliper and
- Quantity.

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**Diversity Requirements:**

- 1-4 trees: 100% same species allowed
- 5-8 trees: 50% or less of same species
- 9-15 trees: 33% or less of same species
- 16-50 trees: 20% or less of same species 30% or less of same genus 40% or less of same family
- Over 50 trees: 10% or less of same species 20% or less of same genus 30% or less of same family
- Until further notice, planting of all Fraxinus species (ash) is suspended due to the potential infestation of Emerald Ash Borer and
- Honeylocust, as an over-planted species, may represent no more than ten percent (10%) of any proposal.

**Appraisals:**

- Shall be performed on all existing trees proposed to be maintained or removed to ensure healthy and viable specimens for the future and to evaluate possible construction impact.

**Other Requirements:**

- Call the Arboreal Inspector for your area for a pre-submittal consultation or evaluation.
- If development occurs in an Urban Design Guideline area, consult for special requirements.
- Other information: any other information relevant to right-of-way trees should be listed in the general notes on the landscape page