

**TOWN OF HASTINGS
APPLICATION FOR TREE REMOVAL PERMIT**

Application Number _____

Application Fee: \$25.00 Paid By: Check _____ Cash _____ Receipt No. _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

1. NAME OF APPLICANT _____ Daytime Telephone _____

Business (if applicable) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

2. NAME OF PROPERTY OWNER _____ Daytime Telephone _____

Business (if applicable) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

3. LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT PROPERTY _____

Lot _____ Block _____

Subdivision _____ Parcel Number _____

4. PROJECT STREET ADDRESS _____

5. TREE REMOVAL REQUESTED

Trunk Diameter	Type	Reason for Removal	Approved	Denied
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Signature of Authorized Agent or Property Owner _____ Date _____

STAFF USE ONLY

Number of Replacement Trees Required _____

COMMENTS _____

Approved/Authorized Signature _____ Date _____

**TAKEN FROM TOWN OF HASTINGS
LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS**

AS TO TREE REMOVAL

ARTICLE II – DEFINITIONS

Crown - The main mass of branching of a plant above the ground.

DBH - Diameter at breast height. “Breast height” is defined to be fifty-four (54) inches above the surface of the ground at the base of the plant or tree. In the case of a tree with multiple main stems, the diameter shall be the sum of the diameters of the stems.

Drip Line - The outermost perimeter of the crown of a plant as projected vertically to the ground.

Mangrove - Rooted trees and seedlings having a coastal or estuarine association.

Nuisance Trees - Trees that are exempted from the tree protection requirements of this Code. They are Brazilian Pepper, Malaleuca, Australian Pine.

Protected Trees - Any tree that has a DBH of more than eight (8) inches, and which is not otherwise exempted from this code. For the purpose of this Code, all Mangroves are hereby declared to be protected trees. In addition, all palms with at least four and one-half (4 ½) feet of clear trunk between the ground level and the lowest branch are declared to be protected trees.

Tree Protection Zone - A circular zone around each protected tree. If the drip line is less than six (6) feet from the trunk of the tree, the zone shall be that area within a radius of six (6) feet around the tree. If the drip line is more than six (6) feet from the trunk of the tree, but less than twenty (20) feet, the zone shall be that area within a radius of the full drip line around the tree. If the drip line is twenty (20) feet or more from the trunk of the tree, the zone shall be that area within a radius of twenty (20) feet around the tree.

ARTICLE V

5.00.00 PURPOSE

The purpose of this Article is to establish those resources or areas of a development site that must be protected from harmful affects of development. A developer must apply the provisions of this Article to a proposed site before any other development design work is done. Application of the provisions of this Article will divide a proposed development site into areas that may be developed and areas that must generally be left free of development activity. The proposed development should then be designed to fit within the areas that may be developed.

Section 5.01.01 PROTECTION OF TREES

A. Conditions for Authorization to Remove Protected Trees

1. It is the intent of this section to minimize the removal of protected trees and that no authorization shall be granted to remove a tree if the developer has failed to take reasonable measures to design and locate the proposed improvements so that the number of protected trees to be removed is minimized.

Section 5.01.03

Preservation Of Protected Trees As Grounds For Variance From Other Requirements
Of This Code.

The preservation of any protected tree may be considered as a factor in rendering a decision upon an application for a variance from the literal application of other requirements of this Code.

NOTATION..... As to diseased/dead trees: A permit is required, however upon submittal of pictures showing, or documentation from a tree surgeon stating that the tree is diseased or dead, payment of fee is waived.