

Trees in Forest Stands and Naturalized Areas

Trees in Urban Areas



Private Forest

District Forest

District Street and Park Trees

Private yard trees

Tree Planting

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The **District Tree Policy** may require that new vegetation or trees be planted as replacement to account for the future removal of non-hazardous re-topped trees.

The **Tree Bylaw** required the planting of one replacement tree for every protected tree removed.

Tree Retention and removal

The **Environmental Development Permit Areas** protect trees to maintain ecological functions, in riparian areas, and on steep slopes and allow tree removals to build a single-family home, to provide reasonable light, air, and view access, or to avoid tree hazards. The **Wildfire Development Permit Area** may require tree removals and replacement to address wildfire hazard. The **District Tree Policy** sets out the process to apply for the removal of trees in Environmentally Sensitive Areas, in the Caulfeild Land Use Contract, or in covenant areas. The **Watercourse Protection Bylaw** requires retention of vegetation where possible and replanting for sediment and erosion control. The **Zoning Bylaw** requires a landscaping plan to detail trees retained, removed, and/or replaced.

The **Parks Regulation Bylaw** prohibits park users from damaging or removing park trees.  
The **Watercourse Protection Bylaw** requires retention of vegetation where possible for sediment and erosion control.

The **Boulevard Bylaw** regulates the removal of trees found in District boulevard for risk management or where their pruning or removal is not inconsistent with the neighbourhood character.  
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A **Tree Cutting Permit** is required to remove protected trees under the **Tree Bylaw** and the removal must meet the criteria for removal detailed in the bylaw.  
The **Zoning Bylaw** sets a maximum impermeable and un-vegetated permeable cover surfaces for front yards. It also requires landscape plans that include trees for retention, removal, and replacement with development.

Tree Maintenance

The **Tree Bylaw** enables the pruning of protected trees with a Tree Cutting Permit using acceptable practices. The **District Tree Policy** sets out the process to apply for the pruning of trees in Environmentally Sensitive Areas, in the Caulfeild Land Use Contract, or in covenant areas. The **Wildfire Development Permit Area** requires that new buildings be located at least 10 m away from the forest interface.

The **District Tree Policy** details the procedure for the inspection and mitigation of hazard trees on District lands and for residents to apply for non-hazardous work on District trees.

The **Boulevard Bylaw** enables the District to require trees planted by residents to be limbed to maintain sight lines where necessary.  
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The **Tree Bylaw** enables the pruning of protected trees with a Tree Cutting Permit using acceptable practices.  
The **Wildfire Development Permit Area** requires pruning of trees overhanging roofs or under eaves and of lower branches of conifers within the development permit area.

Figure 24. Summary of West Vancouver policy tools currently regulating planting, retention, removal, and maintenance of the urban forest in naturalized and urban area on public and private land