City of Coquitlam | Urban Forestry

Private Property Tree Replacement Standards

The following guidelines provide information for property owners when replacing trees on private property, as regulated by Tree Management Bylaw 4091, 2010.

Please plant trees prior to requesting occupancy to reduce potential delays in issuance. If there are issues preventing any of the following requirements, please contact City of Coquitlam Urban Forestry to discuss rationale and potential planting options.

To request an inspection by an Urban Forestry Technician, please email **trees@coquitlam.ca**.



Spatial planting requirements:

- □ Tree replacement must occur within the development or property of removals
- □ Plant outside right-of-ways or City easements
- Plant outside any Geotextile areas or 1m away from any retaining walls
- Not within 1m of neighbouring property lines
- Not within 2m of hardscape surfaces (unless root barrier is installed)
- Not within 3m of permitted outbuilding envelopes
- Not within 3m of other existing or replacement trees
- Not underneath overhead power lines or service drops
 - Utility/low growing trees are exempt
- Not within 1m of underground utility lines or boxes (Hydro, water or sewer)

Planting requirements:

- Plant according to current British
 Columbia Landscape Standards
- For ball and burlap, remove all synthetic twine and pull back burlap from trunks, or trees will not be accepted
- Trees must not show visible signs of damage

These plantings will not be accepted as replacement trees:

- Dwarf varieties
- Shrub species
- Palms
- Hedge varieties

Variations and exceptions

- Columnar varieties will be counted as Class B
- Weeping varieties will be counted as Class C

For further information, contact Coquitlam Urban Forestry Services at 604-927-3482 or **trees@coquitlam.ca**.

