

RECOMMENDED SPECIES FOR THIS AREA

The following chart lists trees recommended for this area. Special requirements exist for street trees. Street trees are those trees located within the public right of way, typically between the sidewalk and the edge of the street, or within 15 feet of the edge of the street where there is no sidewalk.

Species selection

Those species listed below in bold print are on the Allegheny Power official tree list. Additional species are allowed near power lines provided they do not exceed 30' at maturity.

When selecting a species for a particular site, many factors need to be taken into account, among them: microclimate of location (e.g., amount of sun during the year), salt tolerance, drought tolerance, wind tolerance, need for species diversity, potential impact on nearby pavement and structures, and tolerance for taking abuse (e.g., bark abrasion).

Certain trees are not suitable as street trees. These are listed after the approved tree list below.

Street tree location

The preferred distance between street trees is 30' and the preferred distance between trees and driveways and intersections is 15'.

Planting and maintenance

The best time to plant a new tree is in the fall. New trees should be watered deeply to encourage proper root depth.

Refer to the tree planting diagram below for best practices.

New street trees should be pruned early to ensure good branching structure and to eliminate branches less than 8' above the ground.

A trained arborist should be used to prune out dead and damaged limbs.

Mulch should not be higher than 3" around the tree.

Staking of the tree should be done to allow the tree to move in the wind. This strengthens the trunk of the tree.

