

Hornsby Shire Council Tree Preservation Order Fact Sheet

Priority Tree Services provide amongst other services stump grinding, tree removal and tree pruning (sometimes referred to as tree lopping), as well as consultancy by qualified arborists within the Hornsby Council area. Hornsby Council covers the following suburbs:

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| Arcadia | Dangar Island | Milsons Passage |
| Asquith | Dural | Mt Colah |
| Becroft | Eastwood | Mt Kuring-gai |
| Berowra | Epping | Normanhurst |
| Berowra Heights | Fiddletown | North Epping |
| Berowra Waters | Forest Glen | Pennant Hills |
| Berrilee | Galston | Thornleigh |
| Brooklyn | Glenhaven | Wahroonga |
| Candelands | Glenorie | Waitara |
| Carlingsford | Hornsby | Westleigh |
| Castle Hill | Hornsby Heights | West Pennant Hills |
| Cheltenham | Laughtondale | Wisemans Ferry |
| Cherrybrook | Maroota | |
| Cowan | Middle Dural | |

Below is a brief overview of the Tree Preservation Order within Hornsby Shire Council. Please note this document should be used as a guide only. To view complete Tree Preservation Order for this council please go to:

http://www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/uploads/documents/Tree_Preservation_Order_Brochure_July2010.pdf

Hornsby Shire Councils Tree Preservation Order allows for the following work to be carried out without consent or permission:

1. Remove a tree less than three metres in height
2. Remove a dead tree
3. Remove a tree within three metres of the foundation walls of an approved building or in-ground pool
4. Remove a declared noxious weed
5. Prune a tree according to AS 4373 (Australian Standard - Pruning Amenity Trees) by less than 10% of the foliage area within a period of not less than twelve (12) months since any prior pruning (see "pruning trees")
6. Remove any tree harbouring fruit fly or grown for its edible fruit

Exempt tree species within Hornsby Council are as follows:

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| Broad-leafed privet <i>Ligustrum lucidum</i> | Poplar <i>Pouulus spp.</i> |
| Camphor laurel <i>Cinnamomum camphora</i> | Rubber tree <i>Ficus elastic</i> |
| Coral Tree <i>Erythina x sykesii</i> | Sweet pittosporum <i>Pittosporum undulatum</i> |
| Cotoneaster <i>Cotoneaster spp.</i> | Willow <i>Salix babylonica</i> |
| Narrow-leafed privet <i>Ligustrum sinese</i> | |

The Tree Preservation Order exemption list does not apply to the following:

1. Any tree greater than three metres in height.
2. Pruning of a tree by greater than 10 percent of the foliage area.
3. Substantially altering the soil level around the trunk or within three metres of the trunk of a tree.
4. Removing any trees not otherwise listed in the exempt species table (provided any tree/trees of these species are not identified as a Heritage item within Hornsby Shire).
5. Removing a palm tree.
6. Tree listed on the STR (Significant Tree Register)

Council may consider granting consent to remove a tree where:

1. A tree is considered by Council to be dying, dangerous or diseased.
2. A tree is causing or likely to cause substantial property damage to houses, buildings, etc.
3. A tree is substantially misshapen or causing substantial over-shadowing.

Tree Preservation Order:

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Application Form:

http://www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/uploads/documents/Tree_Preservation_Order_08-2009.pdf