

Permits for trees/vegetation on private property



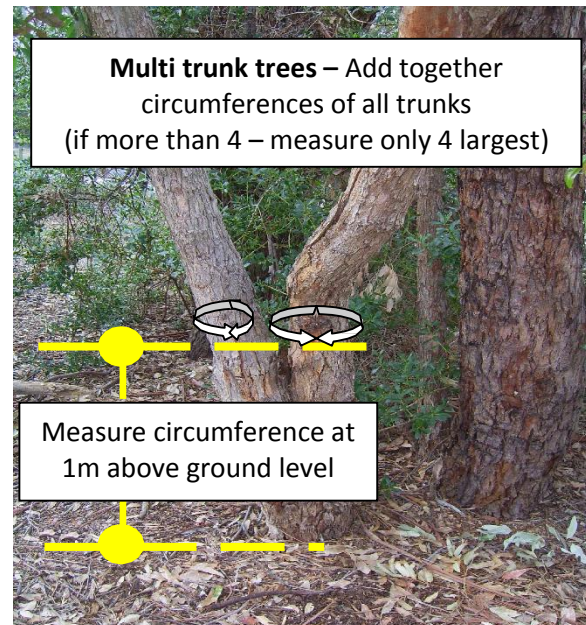
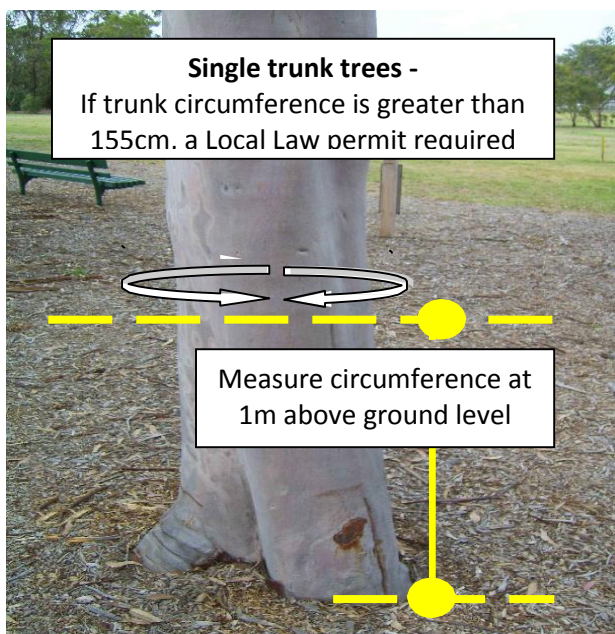
Do you need a permit to prune or remove vegetation on private property?

To prune or remove trees on private property you may require a Local Law permit, Planning permit or Planning amendment. Information about different types of permits is provided below.

Local Law permit

A permit is required to prune or remove:

- a tree with a single or combined trunk circumference greater than 155 cm measured at 1m above ground level.
- a tree listed on Council's Register of Significant Trees
- a tree planted in accordance with the replacement planting condition of a Local Law permit



A **Local Law permit** is not required if the work meets the following **exemptions**:

- A permit is not required to prune a tree if the work is to be carried out by an arborist trained to AQF Level 3 in Arboriculture, or above, or equivalent recognised and relevant experience that enables them to perform the tasks required by Australian Standard No. 4373, 2007 *Pruning of Amenity Trees*.
The contractor must certify his work, including photographs before and after work.
- In an emergency, any tree or part of a tree that is an immediate threat to life and or property may be removed.
- Any tree is exempt from protection if it is of a species which is a Victorian State Government declared noxious weed species as listed in Schedule 2 of Local Law No. 2.

For further information on Local Law tree permits please contact Council on 9599 4626 or visit www.bayside.vic.gov.au

Planning permit

Native vegetation in Beaumaris, Black Rock, Cheltenham (South of Park Road), and the South side of Edward Street Sandringham is protected by the Planning Scheme Vegetation Protection Overlay (VPO3)



In this area, a planning permit is required to remove, destroy or lop any vegetation native to Australia which is -

- more than 2 metres high and
- has a **single** trunk circumference greater than 0.5 metre at a height of 1 metre above ground level.

Planning amendments

Where a planning permit for construction has been issued (eg multi-unit sites) the vegetation on the property is generally protected by the planning permit. To remove any vegetation, a planning amendment is required.

For further information on planning permits and amendments please contact Council on 9599 4444 or visit www.bayside.vic.gov.au