



Circle D Civic Association

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TREE POLICY



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- A. Purpose
- Preserve the forest which is the cornerstone of this unique community.
 - Maintain the quality of life that is unique to the Lost Pines.
 - Trees provide oxygen, reduce noise, help cool, provide beauty, and provide habitat for birds and other wildlife that make this area home.
- B. A Circle D Civic Association "Qualified Tree"
- Any pine, oak or hickory located in any section of the Circle D Civic Association subdivision.
 - A "qualified tree" is determined by measuring the tree trunk at 4.5 feet above the ground. This is commonly known as DBH (diameter at breast height).
 - A "qualified tree" within the Circle D Civic Association Subdivision is protected once it reaches a circumference of 19 inches at DBH.
 - To determine the circumference of a tree = Diameter at DBH X 3.1416.
 - To determine the diameter of a tree = Circumference at DBH / 3.1416.
- C. Permitted Removal of a "Qualified Tree" required by the ACC prior to removal
- The clearing for a proposed homesite requires prior approval from the Architectural Control Committee (ACC).
 - The clearing for an outbuilding, garage, carport, etc. requires prior approval from the ACC.
 - The clearing for a driveway from road to homesite requires prior approval from the ACC.
 - The clearing for a fence line when removing a "qualified tree" requires prior approval from the ACC.
 - Removal of trees to comply with the Texas A&M Forest Service "Firewise" guidelines requires prior approval of the ACC.
<https://agrifefcdn.tamu.edu/coastalbend/files/2015/02/Firewise-Landscaping-in-Texas.pdf>
 - Other unique situations when the need to remove a "qualified tree" exists, requires preapproval by the ACC.
- D. ACC Approval is not required when the following conditions are present. However, it is required that the Homeowner document a perceived threat of a dead or dying tree by photographing a tree, and the tree proximity to a structure, prior to the removal of a dead, dying or damaged tree. An Improvement Application needs to be submitted with the documentation/pictures to the ACC for record keeping. There is no Improvement Application fee required to submit an Improvement Application for tree removal.
- Removal of dead, dying, or damaged trees where they are a danger to structures.
 - The removal of a diseased tree even if not a danger to a structure.
 - The removal of underbrush is permissible if it does not include the removal of "qualified trees."

- d. In the event of an emergency, where the tree poses a threat of injury to a person or structures, the tree may be removed immediately. Before and after documentation/pictures will need to be submitted with an Improvement Application to the ACC for record keeping as soon as possible.

Note: Circle D Civic Association does not allow clear cutting of a lot under any circumstances.

Note: The wildfire of 2011 destroyed millions of trees in the Lost Pines habitat. Please consider not removing any pine, oak, or hickory regardless of its size unless necessary.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, Judith Everett, President of Circle D Civic Association, do hereby attest that at the Board Meeting of the Association held on April 15, 2023, at which a quorum was established this Tree Policy was adopted by unanimous vote.

I, the undersigned, Judith Everett acting as President of Circle D Civic Association, have this day caused this document to be recorded in the Official Public Records of Bastrop County, Texas.

Executed this day 3rd of May 2023

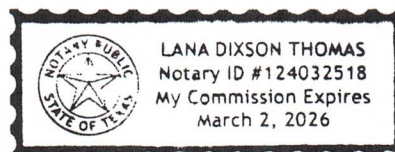
Judith Everett
Judith D Everett
President, Circle D Civic Association

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BASTROP

This instrument was acknowledged before me on May 3 2023, by Judith D Everett, President of Circle D Civic Association, a Texas non-profit corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

Lana Thomas
Notary Public of the State of Texas



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