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## Application for Refund

Contractors or homeowner can apply for refund at the time of application for Certificate of Occupancy. Homeowners have until six months after the issuance of a C.O. to apply for a refund.

Property Location / Address:

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Refund to be mailed to:

Contractor (name & address)

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Homeowner (name & address)

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Submit to:

City of Coeur d'Alene  
Attn: Urban Forestry  
710 E. Mullan Avenue  
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

## Tree Care

Providing adequate water is a must for young trees with restricted root zones. Water regularly, but do not keep the soil soaked. Slow, deep watering once or twice a week will probably suffice in most soils unless it is extremely hot and dry. A good starting point is to provide 5 gallons of water per caliper inch for new trees. Adjust up or down according to soil drainage and seasonal hear.

Deliver water by sprinklers, drip irrigation, a slow trickle from a hose, or a "drip bucket" ( a large bucket with 3 or 4 very small holes, filled & set directly above the tree's root ball and area immediately adjacent).

Another killer of small trees is turf care equipment. String trimmers and lawnmowers can wound the tender bark layer and "girdle" a tree, cutting off its source of water and nutrition. It is most effective to maintain a turf-free area around the tree trunk so that turf equipment does not need to get close to the tree. This area should be at least 12" to 18" from the trunk, depending on the size and responsiveness of your mower.

Providing a 2" to 4" layer of composted mulch will keep down weeds and help retain soil moisture. However, keep the mulch several inches away from the tree trunk.

If you must grow turf close to the tree trunk, resolve to carefully hand-clip around the tree *before* mowing or string trimming.

## City of Coeur d'Alene Urban Forestry

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# Street Tree Requirements for New Construction

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City of Coeur d'Alene  
Urban Forestry



The planting of trees within the right-of-way is required for new single family homes, duplexes, and multi-family housing in Coeur d'Alene.

This publication gives information needed not only to meet this requirement, but to assure that the trees have a positive impact on the quality of the home and neighborhood.

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# Street Tree Requirements

City ordinances require the planting of one street tree per street frontage for new construction of duplexes and single family dwellings. Note that corner lots would require two street trees—one per frontage.



A \$300 fee per street frontage will be collected when a building permit is issued. The fee will be held in a dedicated fund. A request for refund of the \$300 per street frontage fee can be submitted when one of the following conditions has been met:

- Retention of existing tree(s) within the right-of-way.
- Purchase and planting of one tree per street frontage at time of application for Certificate of Occupancy (C.O).
- Purchase and planting of a tree(s) by the property owner within 6 months of issuance of C.O.

Required street trees must be planted within the right-of-way. While only one tree per frontage is required, many lot frontages can accommodate more than one street tree and additional street trees may be planted. Please contact the Urban Forestry division regarding suggested spacings, set-backs from intersections, and a planting permit.

**To request a refund**, fill out and submit the form in this publication. The form is also available on the city's web site.

If a refund form has not been submitted within six months after the C.O. is issued, the street tree fee will be used by the City to purchase and plant street trees. Plantings will be scheduled for spring or fall.

## Tree Selection

Required street trees must be at least 1.25" caliper in size. Caliper is measured at 6" above the ground. This is equivalent to an 8 to 10 foot tall tree.

Required street trees can be selected from the list of approved trees for this use. The following restrictions to choice may apply:

- If street trees will be planted in storm-water swales, they must be a swale-compatible tree;
- Where there are C.C.&R.s or neighborhood-adopted guidelines, designated species are to be used.

If you are unsure of species restriction in your neighborhood, check your C.C.&R.s or contact the Urban Forestry division. (See address below).

## Tree Planting

Success in tree planting is measured by how well the tree does over time. One important factor in preventing future problems is selecting a good location within the right-of-way. The tree trunk should be a minimum of 2 feet from curbs and sidewalk. For the sake of traffic safety, give consideration to the location of stop signs, other traffic signs, and visibility of approaching traffic at intersections. Also keep fire hydrants clear and accessible.

There are many other aspects of planting that can get trees off to a good start. Planting guidelines can be obtained from the Urban Forestry office at City Hall. These guidelines are also available on Urban Forestry pages of the city web site.



## Contact:

Parks Department—UrbanForestry  
Phone: 208/769-2266  
Web: <http://www.cdaid.org/urban/index.html>

## Tree List (partial—see note below)

**MEDIUM** (mature height is 25-50 feet)

Subalpine Fir (*Abies lasiocarpa*)  
Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*) - Autumn Flame, Red Sunset, Morgan, October Glory  
Flowering Pear (*Pyrus calleryana*) \*\*  
Crescendo Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum* 'Morton')  
European Hornbeam (*Carpinus betula*)  
White Ash (*Fraxinus americana*) - Autumn Purple, Autumn Applause, Empire, Skyline \*\*  
Honeylocust (*Gleditsia tricanthos* var. *inermis*) - Moraine, Shademaster, Skyline, True Shade \*\*  
Robinson Crabapple (*Malus* 'Robinson') \*\*  
Black Tupelo (*Nyssa sylvatica*) \*\*  
Flowering Pear (*Pyrus calleryana*) - Autumn Blaze, Aristocrat, Chanticleer, Trinity \*\*  
Littleleaf Linden (*Tilia cordata*)

**LARGE** (mature height is over 50 feet)

Armstrong Red Maple (*Acer rubrum* 'Armstrong') \*\*  
Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum*) - Bonfire, Endowment, Majesty, Green Mountain. Commemoration  
European Larch (*Larix decidua*)  
Bur Oak (*Quercus macrocarpa*) \*\*  
Northern Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*)  
London Planetree (*Platanus x hybrida* 'acerifolia')\*\*  
Japanese Zelkova (*Zelkova serrata*) - Green Vase, Halka

**SMALL** (Small trees are to be used only in locations under-  
neath primary power lines or < 4' of root room)

Kousa Dogwood (*Cornus kousa*)  
Washington Hawthorn (*Crataegus phaenopyrum*) \*\*  
Flowering Crabapple (*Malus sp.*) - Adams, Adirondack, Centurion, Indian Summer, Prairifire, \*\*  
Snow Goose Cherry (*Prunus* 'Snow Goose')  
Summer Sprite Linden (*Tilia cordata* 'Halka')

\*\* *These species are swale-compatible trees.*

*Additional approved species information can be obtained at the Parks Dept. in City Hall or at:*  
<http://www.cdaid.org/urban/index.html>