



ARLINGTON COUNTY
MEMORIAL, HERITAGE, SPECIMEN, AND STREET TREE

NOMINATION FORM

A. SPECIES: Common Name: Botanical Name:

B. TREE LOCATION: Public Property Private Property
Address:
Description of location on property:
Nearest cross street:

C. OWNER OF PROPERTY WHERE TREE IS LOCATED:
Name Phone:
Address:
Does owner consent to designation? yes no not yet contacted
Signature of Owner

D. NOMINATOR:
Name Phone
Address

- E. CATEGORY OF NOMINATION: (Check appropriate category(s))
1. MEMORIAL TREE - A tree that is a special commemorating memorial.
2. HERITAGE TREE - A tree that is of notable historic or cultural interest.
3. SPECIMEN TREE - A tree that is notable by virtue of its outstanding size and quality for its particular species.
4. STREET TREE - A tree that grows in the street right-of-way.

F. ATTACH DESCRIPTION OF WHY TREE IS SIGNIFICANT AND MEETS PRESCRIBED CRITERIA. FOR NOMINATION OF HERITAGE OR MEMORIAL TREES ATTACH DOCUMENTATION.

COMMENTS:

PHOTO ATTACHED (IF POSSIBLE) YES NO

Please do not write in this area
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DATE RECEIVED: REFERENCE NO:

DATE INSPECTED INSPECTED BY:

CONDITION OF TREE: %

MEASUREMENTS:

Circumference: inches
Total height: feet
Avg. crown spread: feet

Date of site visit:
Verified by:

TOTAL SCORE:

COMMENTS:

TREE CATEGORY DEFINITIONS

Heritage Tree - Any tree that has been individually designated by the County Board to be of notable historic or cultural interest.

Memorial Tree - Any tree that has been individually designated by the County Board to be a special commemorating memorial.

Specimen Tree - Any tree that has been individually designated by the County Board to be notable by virtue of its outstanding size and quality for its particular species.

Street Tree - Any tree that has individually designated by the County Board and that grows in the street right-of-way.

***Trees that will not be considered** - The County may consider any tree ineligible for designation for the following reasons: it is determined hazardous, invasive species – cannot be on the Invasive Plant Species List, A or B invasiveness (high and medium) of the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, trees that are inappropriate for their planting space, trees with a condition rating less than 60%, and trees with disease or pest problems.

GENERAL CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES FOR TREE NOMINATIONS

Heritage Trees - Provide accompanying documentation or explanation of the notable historic or cultural interest associated with this tree.

Memorial Trees - Provide accompanying documentation or explanation of the commemorative event that qualifies this tree for memorial status.

Specimen Trees - A tree may qualify if it is at least 75% of the score of that species on Arlington County's Notable Tree list. The factors assessed are tree circumference (feet or inches), tree height (feet), average crown spread (feet), and condition of the tree (percent scale). If the tree species is not on Arlington County's Notable Tree list then the tree may qualify if it is at least 65% of the Virginia State List of 'Big Trees' score.

Street Trees - A tree may qualify if it is 1) appropriate for its site (follows Arlington County Standards for Tree Planting) 2) has a condition rating of at least 60%, and 3) is of a mature size for its species.

PROCESS

Upon receiving a nomination the urban forester shall have 30 calendar days to review the tree. If the tree meets the above Criteria and Guidelines it will then be recommended to the County Board. After the nomination has been forwarded it will be placed on the next possible County Board meeting agenda for a hearing. Please refer to Arlington County Code, Chapter 67-3-1 for details:

<http://www.arlingtonva.us/Departments/ParksRecreation/scripts/parks/ParksRecreationScriptsParksTreesOrdinance.aspx>

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR MY TREE(S)?

Tree preservation is required and tree protection must be provided if development of the site occurs. Non-compliance and violations will result in a civil penalty. Please refer to Arlington County Code, Chapters 67-3-2 and 67-3-3 for details:

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HOW ARE DESIGNATED TREES PROTECTED?

Designated trees will appear in a title search of the property. The County has also developed a record keeping system that will flag the tree during any appropriate permit review.