### City of New Haven



#### **Department of Parks, Recreation & Trees**



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## **Adopt-A-Tree Program Tree Planting Guidelines**

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Trees for the City of New Haven is pleased to accept the donation of services to maintain its tree population. Adopta-Tree applications are available on line and at the Park Office at 720 Edgewood Avenue. Tree planting is a major commitment that should be seriously considered by the property owner/homeowner as a way of keeping New Haven green. Members of the Adopt-a-Tree program with the City of New Haven Parks Department are welcome to plant Street Trees if they abide by the following guidelines:

- Application for permission must be made two weeks prior to planting tree(s).
- The Department of Parks Tree Warden, city arborist and/or staff, will meet with the applicant to determine the placement of the city street tree.
- Only approved tree species may be used (see attached list).
- The planting of tree(s) must meet standard and acceptable arboricultural practices.
- The homeowner/property owner agrees to water and maintain the tree(s) so as to increase the chances of the tree's survival. It may take over a year before a tree is fully established and able to survive without regular watering.
- For health & safety reasons, Adopt-A-Trees are to be planted in a location that is:
  - 1. at least ten (10) feet from utility wires (unless express permission from the New Haven Tree Warden is given to plant closer).
  - 2. at least 15 feet from fire hydrants or streetlights.
  - 3. at least 25 feet from street corners and street signs.
  - 4. approximately 30 feet from another tree. This provides for optimum space so the tree can grow to maturity.

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# **Adopt-A-Tree Program Plant A Street Tree Application**

	Date
Name	
Address of Planting Site (i	f different from above)
Telephone (Home)	(Work)
Plant and Care for **An A	the Above New Haven Resident(s) or Property Owner to pproved Species** Tree In Front Of, Or Nearby, Their Following Is The Location(s):
Tree Species	Location
	t the homeowner/property owner agrees to abide by the idelines as set forth by the New Haven Tree Warden.
	Signature
	Date