

# Borough of Ridley Park

## Application for Permit to Prune or Remove Shade Tree

### Ordinance 1043A: Shade Tree Ordinance

A permit shall be required to cut down a shade tree or to do major pruning to a shade tree along the streets in the Borough other than the minimum to meet clearance requirements over streets and sidewalks. Major pruning is defined as any tree work that reduces the crown; changes the outline or the cutting of a limb greater than 3 inches in diameter.

All tree stumps must be removed to minimum 4 inches below grade.

All contractors must be registered with the Borough before starting the job.

The fee for a Permit issued is \$5.00. (no fee for permit denied).

The Shade Tree Commission (STC) must review all Applications.

The right to appeal any decision of the STC must be presented to the STC within 30 days of disapproval. The STC will review and make recommendations to Borough Council for decision.

### Application:

Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Property Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Pruning or Removal \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Tree \_\_\_\_\_

If corner property, which street is tree on \_\_\_\_\_

Does applicant want another tree on street? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### Action by Shade Tree Commission:

Permit Granted: \_\_\_\_\_ Permit Denied: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Contractor's Registration # \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Contractor must be registered with the Borough before work is started.

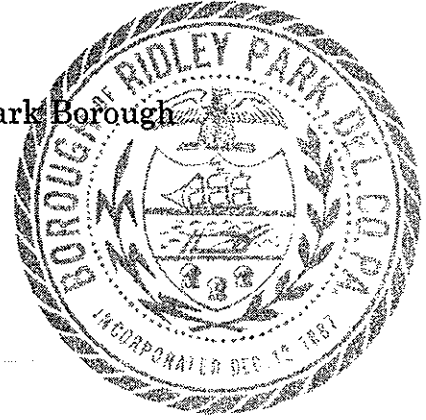
Permit # 03- \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Shade Tree Commission Representative

Note: After review by STC, Applicant gets original and Code Enforcer and STC each get a copy.

To: Arborists / Tree Care Professionals working in Ridley Park Borough  
From: Shade Tree Commission of Ridley Park Borough  
RE: Street Trees and Public Trees in Ridley Park  
Date: September 2008



Gentlemen and Ladies,

We appreciate the effort you make to keep our Public Trees healthy, beautiful and safe. There is always a need for high-quality tree care in Ridley Park Borough.

In order to work together successfully, we are making this Notice available to all Tree Care Workers as well as sidewalk repair contractors and Utility Workers where the health of a Public Tree is at stake.

Our Public Trees are valuable and important to us. Therefore, we have a Tree Ordinance regulating activities affecting Public Trees. You are encouraged to obtain a copy or review the Ridley Park Shade Tree Ordinance at the Borough Hall, 105 Ward Street in Ridley Park.

PLEASE BE AWARE:

**Guidelines: Shade Tree Commission  
Ridley Park Ordinance #1043 enacted June 09, 1992**

**TOPPING TREES IS PROHIBITED**

**CLIMBING WITH SPURS IS PROHIBITED**

**CUTTING OR DAMAGING LATERAL SUPPORT ROOTS SUCH AS DURING SIDEWALK REPAIR IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED**

**REMOVING A TREE OR PRUNING A TREE IS BY PERMIT ONLY**

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BOROUGH HALL OR ON LINE AT WWW.RIDLEYPARKBORO.ORG**

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE REVIEWED BY THE STC AND A PERMIT ISSUED PRIOR TO WORK PERFORMED ON A PUBLIC TREE.**

**Thank you for your cooperation. Shade Tree Commission Meetings are held on the second Monday of each Month at 7PM in Borough Hall, second floor, and are open to the Public.**

**Your input or comments are always welcome.**