

# Significant Tree Register for Private Land Policy

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<b>Responsible Business Unit</b>	Property and Economic Development
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<b>Affected Business Units</b>	Property and Economic Development Statutory Planning and Compliance Parks and Gardens
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## Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline information, requirements and guidance in relation to:

- Including or removing a tree from the City of Bayswater Significant Tree Register on private land; and
- Removing, destructing, interfering and/or maintaining a tree on the City of Bayswater Significant Tree Register for Private Land.

## Objectives

The objectives of this policy are:

1. To identify and recognise the importance of significant trees in the City of Bayswater to ensure an increased level of protection and care.
2. To ensure that the processing and assessment of significant trees is fair, accountable, consistent and comparable.
3. To assist with meeting the City's tree canopy target.
4. To encourage landowners, especially developers, to retain significant trees on their property.

## Scope

This policy applies to existing or potential trees on private land that could be included on the City of Bayswater Significant Tree Register.

## Introduction

The City of Bayswater has a number of trees that hold special aesthetic, social and cultural value to the community. Inclusion of these trees on the City of Bayswater Significant Tree Register acknowledges their value and can also provide them with statutory protection in accordance with the City of Bayswater *Town*

*Planning Scheme No. 24* Schedule A - Supplemental Provisions to the Deemed Provisions to better ensure their ongoing conservation and care.

## Requirements

1. Applications to include or remove a tree from the City of Bayswater Significant Tree Register are to be made in accordance with the City's Significant Tree Register Guidelines for Private Land.
2. Development approval is required prior to the removal, destruction, and/or interference with any tree included on the significant tree register. The proposed removal, destruction, interference and/or maintenance of a Significant Tree is to be undertaken in accordance with the City's Significant Tree Register Guidelines for Private Land.

## Related Legislation

This policy is adopted under all Local Planning Schemes in force within the City of Bayswater, in accordance with Schedule 2, Part 2 of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*.

City of Bayswater Town Planning Scheme No. 24 Schedule A - Supplemental Provisions to the Deemed Provisions provides Significant Trees protection under Part 3 of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*.

## Related Documentation

- City of Bayswater *Town Planning Scheme*.
- Urban Forest Strategy.
- Significant Tree Register for Private Land Guidelines.
- City of Bayswater Significant Tree Register for Private Land.

## Document details

<b>Relevant delegations</b>	TP-D01 Local Planning Schemes		
<b>Risk evaluation</b>	Low		
<b>Strategic link</b>	Environment and Liveability Protect and enhance the City's natural environment and biodiversity, and encourage the community to participate in its protection.		
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