



Dear MCCA Resident:

You may download the Tree Cutting Application Form directly from the web site. Please complete the form including your division and lot number, and be sure to sign page three. When you have completed the application, return it to MCCA's office.

The MCCA Declaration of Restrictive Covenant requires that the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) respond within 30 days. Your submittal will be routed to ACC members who will visit the site individually. Please make sure you mark the tree(s) with ribbon for easy identification. If the ACC members cannot identify the tree(s) requested, they will be unable to process your application.

The primary purpose of MCCA is to protect the desirability of the properties. One secondary purpose is to protect the forested nature of the community. To that end, only dead, dying, diseased, or dangerous native evergreen trees can be approved for removal. A native evergreen is one that was there prior to the home being built.

Arborists Opinion. If a native evergreen tree's distress is not obvious to the volunteer committee members, they will need to require an approved arborist's report. The Association has approved arborists, who do not profit from tree removal, to advise in these situations. If such an opinion is needed, you will be asked to provide the Association with a report from one of them. Should an Association approved arborist recommend approval your application approval will be granted. You must order the report, at your expense, whether requesting removal of private or common area trees.

Recommended Arborists:

Ian MacCallum	(425) 485-4758
Dan Douglas	(360) 568-2829
Tina Cohen	(206) 789-3283

Replacement Trees – Native Evergreen. If a native evergreen tree is removed, you will be required to plant a replacement evergreen tree, at least eight feet tall, somewhere on your property. If you feel your property is over forested, please note this fact on the bottom of page two. If the committee agrees, the replacement tree may be planted in a common area, as close to your property as reasonably possible.

Replacement Trees – Landscape Trees. If the submittal is for removal of a tree installed when the home was built or later, its replacement is not mandatory. However, it is important that you use the lower portion of page two to advise the ACC of your plans for the tree removal area – what are your plans for the stump? Write it down, draw and/or take pictures. Use the techniques that you feel will best show the ACC what the area will look like when your project is complete.

Please feel free to call or stop by the MCCA Office if you have any questions. Once you have submitted the application, we will let you know of the ACC's determination just as soon as their decision is reported to our office.