# Tree – Application for Consent for Removal or Pruning



Before completing please re	Application fee - \$81 Office Use Only (GST Exempt) AP/TP						
Location of Tree/s – Property Details							
Please draw a plan of the property on the back of this form showing the position of all trees involved.							
Street No.	Street						
Suburb	!	Postcode					
Does access to the property	y require prior arrangement?	□ Yes □ No					

If yes, please supply daytime phone number to arrange access (Home / Work / Mobile):

#### **Details of Tree/s**

Total number of trees involved (if more than 3 trees in		Other	
		Propose	d Work
Tree I Species / type of tree		🗆 Removal	Pruning
Location within property	Reason for work		
Tree 2 Species / type of tree		🗆 Removal	🗆 Pruning
Location within property	Reason for work		
Tree 3 Species / type of tree		🗆 Removal	🗆 Pruning
Location within property	Reason for work		

## Is this application related to COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT? Yes $\Box$ No $\Box$ If yes, please supply an A4 copy of plans showing the location of the affected tree in relation to proposed buildings.

#### **Applicant Details**

If the tree is on common land i.e. Villas/Units, you must submit a written request from the Strata Manager – OR – from the Body Corporate together with either the minutes of a meeting, or a letter signed by a majority of owners, consenting to the requested work.

Owner	🗆 Secretary / Chair	□ Neighbour	□ Tenant	□ Agent	
Ms/Mr/Mrs/C	Other (Please State)	Family Name	L	Given Name	
No.	Street	Suburb		Post Code	
Company Name (if applicable) Email					
Mailing Address (if different)					
Tel (Home/Work/Mobile) Fax (Home/Work/Mobile)					

#### **Please Note**

- 1. Please attach any supporting documents e.g. arborists / Engineers reports to verify the reason for the work.
- 2. The personal information required on this form may be available for public access under various legislation.

Applicant's Signature			Date: / /	
Office Use Only	Receipt No.	Date		\$
<b>Privacy Statement</b> The personal information provided on this form (including your name and other details) will be handled in accordance with the <i>Privacy and Personal Information</i> <i>Protection Act 1998</i> and may be available to the public under various legislation. Refer also to the Privacy Statement on Council's website.			Rockdale City Council Office: 8.30am – 4.30pm (Mon-Fri); 9am – 1pm (Sat) 2 Bryant Street / PO Box 21, Rockdale NSW 2216 rcc@rockdale.nsw.gov.au www.rockdale.nsw.gov.au	

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### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Do I need Council Approval?

Development Applicants – separate approval to remove a tree may not be necessary – contact our Customer Service Centre to clarify before completing this form.

You **do NOT** need Council approval to remove or prune a tree if the tree is:

- No higher than 3m and has a girth of no more than 300mm at a height of 1m above the ground.
- In Council's opinion, is dying or dead or has become dangerous.
- A species declared to be a noxious weed under the Noxious Weeds Act 1993 or fruit plants identified in Schedule 1 to the Plant Diseases Act 1924.
- A species exempted from Council's Development Control Plan 2011.
- Otherwise YES you do need approval!

#### Where do I send my application and payment?

You can pay in person at Council's Customer Service Centre – 2 Bryant Street, Rockdale or you can post your application and a cheque or money order to Rockdale City Council, PO Box 21, ROCKDALE NSW 2216.

#### Do I have the right to appeal against a decision made by the Tree Management Officer?

If you are not satisfied with the decision of the Tree Management Officer, you may request that Council's Manager of Operations review this decision. If you are still not satisfied you can request that your application be put to a Council meeting for determination.

You may also elect at any time to have the matter heard before the Land and Environment Court if you are dissatisfied with the way Council has dealt with your application.

#### What are my options if I want to prune a tree on my neighbour's property?

You may lodge an application with Council for inspection of a neighbour's tree however any approval for work considered appropriate will be sent to the trees' owner(s).

It is not the role of Council to intervene in neighbourhood disputes regarding trees. Conflicts may be resolved through the Community Justice Centre or, once all other attempts to resolve the matter have been exhausted, an application may be lodged with the Land & Environment Court for resolution under the Trees (Disputes between Neighbour's) Act 2006.

### **Diagram of Property and Tree Locations**

Please draw a plan of the property showing the position of all trees involved and outlines of nearby buildings. Please number trees as per the numbers under the "Details of Tree/s" section on the front of this form.

