TREE TRIMMING & PRUNING INFO

Water Oak homeowners are required to keep the trees around their property (between sidewalk and curb) trimmed so as to allow pedestrians free passage when they're using the sidewalks. Also, on the street side of the trees, vehicles need to have free passage so that pickup and deliveries can occur. USPS, FEDEX, UPS and the town's Sanitation Department have occasionally raised this issue with our HOA Board.

Twice over the past years, our HOA has organized and paid for contractors to prune all trees throughout the subdivision. Obviously, our trees have matured, and so now the increased size has brought the cost from was $3,500 in the past to about $10,000, at best! A recent survey we conducted made it clear that most homeowners feel this matter a high priority but almost none are willing to see a hike in assessment dues to pay for it being done as a community wide service. So, the bottom line is that individual homeowners are expected to take care of the trees on a do-it-yourself basis.

Winter is the best time to prune and trim tree branches because the trees are dormant and have no leaves to deal with. Probably the most useful and easiest tool for trimming trees is a "tree lopper." That tool you see here is available at Lowes Home Improvement, Home Depot, Ace Hardware, and even from Amazon.com. The cost ranges anywhere from $25 to $50, depending on the size and model.   Along with that, it's prudent to have eye protection when pruning trees due to the jutting and/or falling branches.

When is my Yard Waste Collection Day?

Yard Waste is normally collected on the day following your garbage collection. Seasonal volumes such as leaf collection or excessive storm related debris can sometimes cause a slight delay.

How do I prepare my Yard Waste for collection?

Mooresville residents do not bag yard waste as most Towns require. Place grass clippings or leaves loose at the curb. Limbs must be placed neatly in a SEPARATE pile. Remember to leave 3 feet from any obstruction for these items.

BY THE WAY, if a tree(s) is blocking a stop sign from being seen, the town will respond to a request to trim the side of the tree(s) so that approaching vehicles can see the stop sign.