

## **ASH TREE REMOVAL INFORMATION**

Even though the City of Rochester Hills is not participating in the State of Michigan program for ash tree removals on private property, the following information is being provided to assist our residents in obtaining the best possible tree removal services at a fair price.

### **HOW TO SELECT A TREE CONTRACTOR**

- Use approved list of vendors participating in the state program or check in the phone directory yellow pages. Please note that the state-approved vendors do not have to hold their prices when dealing directly with the general public.
- Insist on a site visit and clear tree markings of any removals.
- Get a written quote itemizing services to be provided.
- Verify workers compensation as well as personal and property damage insurance.
- Ask for and check references or visit other work sites where company has done tree work.
- Get more than one estimate unless you know and are comfortable with the vendor.
- Be wary of the individuals who go door-to-door and offer bargains for tree work.

### **QUESTIONS TO ASK CONTRACTORS**

- Is all tree limb, tree trunk, and debris cleanup included?
- Is stump grinding included to a minimum of 6" below ground surface?
- Will you comply with all State of Michigan standards/laws regarding ash tree disposal?
- Will you give me the same pricing as the state contract?
- How long will the job take from start to finish and when can you start?
- When will payment be required and what payment options do you offer?

## **INFORMATION A CONTRACTOR WILL NEED FROM YOU**

- What your timeline is for completion.
- Do you plan on keeping the wood or do you want them to dispose of it.
- Number and approximate size of trees (diameter 4.5' above ground) to be removed.

The vendor list provided is the complete list of approved vendors contracted to perform ash tree removals (no stump grinding) under the State of Michigan contract. Please note that these vendors do not have to hold these prices when dealing directly with the general public, but they could be used by you as a starting point for negotiations for ash tree removals or other tree work you are requesting.

## **WEBSITES WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

State of Michigan – Emerald Ash Borer: [www.michigan.gov/emeraldashborer](http://www.michigan.gov/emeraldashborer)

MSU Extension – How to identify the emerald ash borer and the symptoms of its infestation: [www.emeraldashborer.info](http://www.emeraldashborer.info)

International Society of Arboriculture – “Why hire an arborist?”  
[www.isa-arbor.com/consumer/arborist](http://www.isa-arbor.com/consumer/arborist)

A sample service contract for tree removal:

[http://landscaping.about.com/cs/landscapedesigner/a/tree\\_contract.htm?terms=tree+contract](http://landscaping.about.com/cs/landscapedesigner/a/tree_contract.htm?terms=tree+contract)

**STATE OF MICHIGAN'S EAB APPROVED VENDOR LIST FOR ASH TREE REMOVAL – QUARANTINE AREA**

NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	ST	ZIP	CONTACT	PHONE
Advanced Tree Care, Inc.	300 Fenway Drive	Fenton	MI	48430	Terry Johnson	810-750-4446
Agape Tree Service, Inc.	18413 Hubbel or PO Box 441262	Detroit	MI	48235 /48244	Chris Brown	313-653-0309
Ashton Contracting	30443 Industrial	Livonia	MI	48150	Ken Scicluna	734-522-1660
Asplundh Tree Expert Co	2255 Northway Dr	Mt. Pleasant	MI	48858	Jeff Lynch	517-772-4454
Ayles Tree Service, Inc.	4079 E. Gresham Hwy	Pottersville	MI	48876	Jack Barkley	517-484-8318
Bonecutters Tree Service	30443 Industrial	Livonia	MI	48150	Ken Scicluna	734-522-0344
Branch Tree Service, Inc.	24195 Mound Rd	Warren	MI	48091	Jim Potter	586-756-7737
Consumers Energy	1935 W. Parnall Rd	Jackson	MI	49201	J. Michael O'Connor	517-788-1664
Davey Tree Expert Co	3381 Lapeer Rd West	Auburn Hills	MI	48326	James C. Huston	248-371-9007
David Winkler	25526 Orchard Lake Rd	Farmington Hills	MI	48336	David Winkler	734-634-5687
Dittman Tree Service, Inc.	25052 Saint Clement	Warren	MI	48089	Brad Dittman	810-560-2690
Floral City Tree Service, Inc.	805 N. Dixie Highway	Monroe	MI	48162	Steve McCollum	734-241-7510
Gardner and Sons, Inc.	28275 26 Mile Rd	New Haven	MI	48048	Billie Jo Lyons and Gregory Gardner	586-786-1914
Heritage Lawn Care, Inc.	408 N. Ann Arbor St	Saline	MI	48176	Brian Swiney	734-663-2042
Hornets Tree Service, Inc.	855 S Pontiac Trail Unit 105	Walled Lake	MI	48390	Thomas Malisdewski	248-343-2940
Innovative Tree Care	5974 Yarmouth	Shelby Twp	MI	48316	Terence Riess	248-420-2542
Kappen Tree Service LLC	2675 Hurds Corner Rd	Cass City	MI	48726	Warren Kappen	989-673-5313 or 800-322-5684
McFarland Tree Service, Inc.	5301 Whitmore Lake Rd	Ann Arbor	MI	48105	Shane Black	734-662-3507
Mt. Vernon Tree and Landscape, Inc.	8751 37 Mile Rd	Romeo	MI	48065	John Trumpour	586-752-7561
Oakland Tree Service	5300 Rapp Rd	Romeo	MI	48065	Sherry Kipper	248-852-2550
Owen Tree Service	225 N Lake George Rd	Attica	MI	48412	Randy Owen and Joyce Bontrager	810-724-6651
Professional Landscape Services	3333 Jennings Rd	Whitmore Lake	MI	48189	Robert Perry	734-449-7322
Reliable Seasonal Services LLC	21641 Berg	Southfield	MI	48034	Thomas Gray	248-356-0131 or 248-470-2316
Shock Brothers, Inc.	26800 Bunert	Warren	MI	48089	Sue Shock	313-822-5044 or 586-773-6040
Sting Ray Tree Co	9381 Earhart Rd	South Lyon	MI	48178	Judy or David Johnson	248-437-5541
The Energy Group, Inc.	8837 Lyndon	Detroit	MI	48238	Dan Francis	313-491-8411

**STATE OF MICHIGAN'S CONTRACTED TREE REMOVAL PRICING FOR PRIVATE ASH TREES  
(Stump-grinding and transportation to nearest marshalling yard not included)**

Tree Diameter at Breast Height (approx. 4.5' above ground)	1" – 10"	11" – 17"	18" – 24"	25" – 30"	31" – 39"	40" +
Private Ash Trees – Front Yard	\$72	\$180	\$360	\$600	\$900	\$1,200
Pvt Ash Trees-Back Yard (Any ash tree located behind the front surface of structure)	\$90	\$225	\$450	\$750	\$1,125	\$1,500