

Ku-ring-gai Council Tree Preservation Order Fact Sheet

Priority Tree Services provide amongst other services, stump grinding, tree removal and tree pruning (sometimes referred to as tree lopping), as well as consultancy by qualified arborists within the Ku-ring-gai Council area. Ku-ring-gai Council covers the following suburbs:

East Killara	North Wahroonga	South Turramurra
East Lindfield	Pymble	Turramurra
Gordon	Roseville	Wahroonga
Killara	Roseville Chase	Warrawee
Lindfield	St Ives	West Pymble
North Turramurra	St Ives Chase	

Below is a brief overview of the Tree Preservation Order within Ku-ring-gai Council. Please note this document should be used as a guide only. To view complete Tree Preservation Order for this council please go to: http://www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/resources/documents/Tree_Preservation.pdf

Ku-ring-gai Councils Tree Preservation Order allows for the following work to be carried out without consent or permission:

1. Removal of completely dead trees and dead branches.
2. Removal of tree branches which directly overhanging roof of a residents or commercial building may be pruned back to nearest branch junction or collar to clear the roofline.
3. Trees within 3.0 metres of an existing dwelling, measured from centre of trunk at ground level to external walls of building. The trunk of the tree has to be located on same property. (see TPO for conditions)
4. Branches and trees within 0.5 metres of these lines. (exemption applies to tree branches not trunks).
5. Tree works undertaken by Council or Council's authorised agents on Council owned land.
6. Trees approved for removal under development consents once the Construction Certificate has been released.
7. Pruning of trees where:
 - i) Branches pruned are not more than 50mm in diameter
 - ii) Roots pruned are not more than 30mm in diameter
 - iii) Pruning is consistent with the Australian Standard for Pruning of Amenity Trees (AS 4373-2007)

Exempt tree species within Ku-ring-gai Council are as follows:

Wreat Wattle <i>Acacia saligna</i> , Golden	Rubber Tree <i>Ficus elastica</i>
Box Elder <i>Acer negundo</i>	Small and large Leaved Privet <i>Ligustrum species</i>
Tree of Heaven <i>Ailanthus altissima</i> ,	Liquidambar (with a height less than 12m)
Evergreen Alder <i>Alnus jorullensis</i>	<i>Liquidambar styracifolia</i>
Camphor Laurel except where 15m in height or greater, <i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	African Olive <i>Olea europa subsp."Africana"</i>
Nettle tree <i>Celtis sp.</i> <i>Celtis</i>	Lombardy Poplar <i>Populus nigra italica</i>
Cocos Palm <i>Aracatum romanzoffianum</i>	Black Locust <i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>
Loquat <i>Eriobotrya japonica</i>	Willows <i>Salix sp</i>
Coral Tree <i>Erythrina x sykesii</i>	Umbrella Tree <i>Schefflera sp</i>
Cockscomb Coral Tree <i>Erythrina crista – galli</i>	Rhus <i>Toxicodendron succedaneum</i> ,

The Tree Preservation Order exemption list does not apply to the following:

The exemptions under this order do not apply to trees which are or form part of a heritage item.

Tree Preservation Order:

http://www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/resources/documents/Tree_Preservation.pdf

Application Form:

http://www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/resources/documents/FORM_Request_for_Tree_Works_Approval_2010-2011.pdf