



## TREE CARE MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
<b>Water</b>	*	*	*	**	**	**	**	**	**	*	*	*
<b>Mulch</b>			*	*					*	*		
<b>Weed Control</b>			*	*	**	**	**	**	**	*		
<b>Inspect</b>	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

\* normal maintenance      \*\* increased maintenance

**Establishment Tree Care is for a period of 3 years.**

### Watering

- Trees on establishment need 20 gallons of water per week, divided into one or two watering sessions.
- Provide water at a slow rate to avoid runoff ( ~1 gallon per minute).
- Water stress in trees can be caused by lack of water or excessive watering. Symptoms include wilting, leaf drop, and drying/browning of the foliage especially at leaf edges.

### Mulching

- Apply mulch as needed to tree beds in a six foot diameter circle that is three inches deep.
- Do not place mulch against the trunk of the tree, leave about a fist width between the trunk and the start of the mulch ring.
- The mulch ring should resemble a donut shape with the tree in the center.

### Weed Control

- Weeds should be removed from the mulched area around the tree.
- Avoid using herbicides around newly planted trees.

### Inspections

- Inspect trees regularly for insects, disease, physical, and environmental damage.
- If any of the above problems are present contact the NeighborWoods Coordinator.



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