

Chapter 36 TREES AND SHRUBS*

*Cross references: Removal, trimming, etc., of trees in connection with moving buildings, § 6-12; injuring, removing, etc., trees, flowers, etc., in cemeteries, § 8-9; infested, etc., trees as nuisances, § 19-12; mutilating, etc., trees, shrubs, etc., in public parks, § 22-5.

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Sec. 36-1. Planting by city personnel only.

No person other than designated city personnel shall plant any shade or ornamental tree, plant or shrub in any public highway or park.
(Code 1955, § 5-1.15)

Sec. 36-2. Minimum height of branches over sidewalks; removal of dead branches, etc.*

*Cross references: Streets and sidewalks generally, Ch. 32.

No person shall maintain upon any lot of which he is the owner, either individually or as one of two (2) or more tenants in common, joint tenants or tenants by the entireties, any tree which is so located as to extend its branches over a public alley or highway, unless the same shall be kept so trimmed that there shall be a clear height of not less than twelve (12) feet above that portion of the surface of sidewalks, unobstructed by branches; and no such person shall fail to remove all dead branches or stubs on such trees which are, or may become, a menace to persons on the street.
(Code 1955, § 5-1.15)

Sec. 36-3. Permit and precautions required for removal, trimming, etc., trees.

No person shall remove, destroy, break, cut, deface or trim any tree growing in any highway or park in the city without first obtaining a permit from the superintendent of parks and cemeteries, which permit shall state the work to be done under it and the time within which it is to be done; and no person shall remove, destroy or trim any such tree under any permit unless proper precautions, approved by the superintendent of parks and cemeteries, are taken to insure the safety of the public while such tree is being removed, destroyed or trimmed.
(Code 1955, § 5-1.15)

Sec. 36-4. Climbing, etc., trees while wearing spurs.

No person shall climb any tree growing in any highway or park in the city, or walk upon the branches thereof, while wearing spurs, unless such person is in the act of removing such trees.

(Code 1955, § 5-1.15)

Sec. 36-5. Protection of trees during erection, repair, etc., of buildings.*

*As to buildings generally, see ch. 6 of this Code.

In the erection, alteration, repair or removal of any building or structure, the owner thereof shall place, or cause to be placed, such guards around all nearby trees on the public highway as will effectually prevent injury to such trees.

(Code 1955, § 5-1.15)

Sec. 36-6. Connecting, etc., wires to trees.*

*As to electricity generally, see ch. 9 of this Code.

No person shall attach or connect any electric or other wire to any tree in a highway or park in the city, or permit any such wire to come in contact with any such tree.

(Code 1955, § 5-1.15)

Sec. 36-7. Attaching signs, posters, etc., to trees.

No person shall attach any sign, placard or poster to any tree growing in any highway or park.

(Code 1955, § 5-1.15)