



**Q5. What if the tree is dead or dying, and is located in a Buffer, Open Space, Conservation Space, the Chattahoochee River Corridor, Tree Save Area, or Street Tree?**

A5. Contact your Home Owners Association (HOA) for tree removal. Also, consult the Protective Covenants for your subdivision for guidelines. Gwinnett County cannot enforce Protective Covenants.

If the tree is located in the Chattahoochee River Corridor and it is dead, it may be removed manually (no motorized vehicles). The stump must remain intact.

**Q6. How do I find the zoning of my property?**

A6. To determine the zoning of your lot you can access the GIS Data Browser at [gwinnettcounty.com](http://gwinnettcounty.com) and select the layer "Zoning".

**Q7. Do trees located on my property have to be dead before I remove them?**

A7. No. A homeowner can remove live trees from their occupied property provided they are not location in a required Zoning Buffer, Stream Buffer, Conservation or Open Space, Chattahoochee River Corridor, Tree Save Area, or are a Street Tree. If you do remove live trees from your property, it is a requirement that you keep at least two live trees on your lot.

**Q8. What do I do if a tree located on my property has fallen?**

A8. Call a tree removal service or a certified arborist. A listing for a certified arborist can be found at [Isa-Arbor.com](http://Isa-Arbor.com).

**Q9. What do I do if a street tree has fallen which originated in the street right-of-way?**

A9. Find out whether the road is a Gwinnett County road or a State of Georgia highway. For the Gwinnett Department of Transportation, call 770.822.7400. For the Georgia Department of Transportation, call 404.656.5267.

**Situations where individual homeowners can remove live trees without a permit from Gwinnett County:**

1. Any tree located on occupied residentially zoned property of an individual homeowner as long as that tree is not located in a required Zoning Buffer, Stream Buffer, Conservation or Open Space, Chattahoochee River Corridor, Tree Save Area, or is a Street Tree, or;
2. Any dead or dying tree in a stream buffer if that buffer is on your property, or;
3. Must maintain at least two live trees on your lot.

**Situations where an individual homeowner cannot remove live trees:**

1. Any tree located in a required Zoning Buffer, Stream Buffer, Conservation or Open Space, Chattahoochee River Corridor, Tree Save Area, or is a Street Tree, or;
2. Any tree that is not located on your property.

Note: Properties located in the Chattahoochee River Corridor are subject to the Metropolitan River Protection Act and require review by the Department of Planning and Development.

Note: Properties zoned commercial, office-institutional, industrial, or multi-family must obtain a Land Disturbance Permit (LDP) in order to remove trees. Contact the Department of Planning and Development at 678.518.6000.