

Chapter 25

Trees

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Part 1**Street Trees****§25-101. Definitions.**

The word “person,” as used in this Part, shall mean and include any natural person, partnership, association, firm, or corporation. The singular shall include the plural; the plural shall include the singular; and the masculine shall include the feminine and the neuter.

(*Ord. 328, 12/12/1984, §25-101*)

§25-102. Restrictions on Planting and Growing of Certain Trees.

It shall be unlawful for any person to plant, maintain, or allow to grow any Caroline Poplar or willow trees within the lines of any street, alley, or sidewalk in the Borough of Chalfant, or within 100 feet of any public sewer or water line.

(*Ord. 328, 12/12/1984, §25-102*)

§25-103. Clearance above Street and Sidewalk.

Every owner of property in the Borough shall be required to keep limbs and branches of all trees growing upon such property or along the street, sidewalk, curb, or alley abutting upon such property trimmed so that no part of such limbs or branches or of the foliage growing thereupon, shall have a clearance of less than 8 feet above the surface of the sidewalk or of less than 14 feet above the surface of the roadway of any street or alley.

(*Ord. 328, 12/12/1984, §25-103*)

§25-104. Removal and Trimming of Trees.

It shall be the responsibility of property owners in the Borough to conform to the requirements of this Part as to trees upon property owned by them, or along streets, alleys and sidewalks abutting upon such property, and, upon notice from the Borough Council, to remove any tree or trees growing in violation of §25-102 of this Part, and to trim or cut the branches or limbs of trees as required by §25-103 hereof. Any person failing to comply with any such notice, within the time limit stated therein, shall be guilty of a violation of this Part and, following the expiration of such time limit, the Borough Council shall have the authority to cause the work required by such notice to be done by the municipality or under contract therewith, and to collect the cost of such work, with an additional amount of 10 percent from such property owner in default.

(*Ord. 328, 12/12/1984, §25-104*)

§25-105. Penalties.

Any person, firm, or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues shall constitute a separate

offense.

(*Ord. 328*, 12/12/1984, §25-105; as amended by *Ord. 340*, 7/19/1988, §2; and by *Ord. 408*, 8/11/2011)