



Village of Royal Palm Beach

Community Development
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VEGETATION REMOVAL PERMIT

PROPERTY OWNER _____ DATE _____

PROPERTY CONTROL # _____ PERMIT# _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS _____

CONTRACTOR _____

SITE CONDITION: VEGETATED _____ CLEARED _____ DEVELOPED _____

LAND USE: COMMERCIAL _____ RESIDENTIAL _____ OTHER _____

SITE AREA _____ FEE _____ DATE PAID _____ RECEIPT # _____

REQUIRED INFORMATION (SUBMIT ONE OF A, B, AND BOTH C AND D)

A. _____ AERIAL PHOTO HAVING A MINIMUM SCALE OF 1" TO 50 FT. FOR SITES OF FIVE (5) ACRES OR LESS. COUNTY OR REDI AERIALS ACCEPTABLE FOR SITES EXCEEDING FIVE (5) ACRES.

B. _____ LEGIBLE SITE PLAN DRAWN TO SCALE DEMONSTRATING THE LOCATION OF VEGETATION.

C. _____ LOCATION SKETCH IN THE FORM OF AN OFFICIAL ZONING DISTRICT MAP (AVAILABLE IN PLANNING & ZONING) OR SOME OTHER LEGIBLE MAP.

D. _____ WRITTEN ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION OF EXISTING VEGETATION CONDITIONS AND PROPOSED CLEARING OPERATION AND PRESERVATION MEASURES. NOTE: THE GENERALIZED WRITTEN ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION SHALL BE PREPARED BY THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT OR BY A FORESTER, BIOLOGIST, ECOLOGIST, HORTICULTURIST, FLORIDA REGISTERED LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT OR SOMEONE RECOGNIZED IN THE INDUSTRY AS HAVING SIMILAR KNOWLEDGE.

NAME OF ASSESSOR _____ PHONE _____

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED VEGETATION REMOVAL OPERATION INCLUDING EXTENT OF CLEARING AND PROPOSED PRESERVATION MEASURES _____

DATE CLEARING IS TO BEGIN _____ DURATION OF WORK _____

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS APPLICATION IS MADE IN CONFORMITY AND COMPLIANCE WITH ALL ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF ROYAL PALM BEACH AND ALL PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT A COPY OF THE APPROVED PERMIT AND SITE PLAN MUST BE KEPT ON THE JOB SITE DURING ALL PROGRESS OF WORK. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR VEGETATION PROTECTION CONTAINED IN THE VEGETATION PROTECTION ORDINANCE. VEGETATION REMOVAL IS SUBJECT TO ALL OTHER PERMITTING AUTHORITIES

SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR

DATE

APPROVED BY

DATE

Vegetation Removal Permit

Village Code Section 15-71

- (a) Unless otherwise provided in this chapter, no person, corporation, association, public agency, or agent or employee thereof, shall remove vegetation from any lot or portion thereof within the village without first obtaining a vegetation removal permit.
- (b) The Village of Royal Palm Beach is subject to the requirements of a vegetation removal permit however is not required to pay the permit fee.
- (c) Every effort shall be made to preserve and protect areas that include hardwood hammock, cypress heads, wetlands, palmettos, sand pine/scrub, or pine flatwood associations and shall include the above features in the open space requirements for the proposed developments.
- (d) **Exemptions** to the requiring a vegetation removal permit.

- 1. Initial construction of individual single-family or duplex residents. The initial construction of one (1) single-family detached or one (1) duplex residence upon a single lot of less than one and five-tenths (1.5) acres in size not part of an overall development with approved landscape plans.
- 2. Initial construction of structures accessory to individual single-family or duplex residences. The initial construction of buildings or structures accessory to one (1) single-family or one (1) duplex residence upon a single lot of less than one and five-tenths (1.5) acres in size.
- 3. Hazardous situations. Removal of a protected tree which has been destroyed or so severely damaged by natural causes that it constitutes a peril to life or property.
- 4. Bona fide agricultural production. Bona fide agricultural production, provided however that bona fide agricultural production shall not include lumber harvesting incidental to land development permitted by a bona fide site development plan.
- 5. Vegetation by or pursuant to the direction of public or private utilities, public airports and heliports, the South Florida Water Management District, public drainage districts, and similar agencies, whether or not emergency conditions exist, provided that the vegetation is either:
 - (1) Located within utility or drainage easements or public rights-of-way;
 - (2) Actually or potentially interfering with utility services, drainage, or aircraft flight patterns.
- 6. Botanical or horticultural activities. Botanical gardens, botanical research centers, or licensed commercial nurseries.

(e) **Application Requirements:**

- 1. A Generalized Vegetation Survey showing the approximate location and extent of vegetation upon the site.
 - a. For nonresidential and multifamily developments the survey may be in the form of an aerial or a field survey, and shall be accompanied by photographs illustrating areas of vegetation.
 - b. For individual single-family or duplex developments, the survey may be in the form of hand-drawn sketches accompanied by photographs of existing site conditions.

The intent of this survey is to insure that the department is sufficiently informed by the applicant of vegetation conditions on the subject property prior to development.

2. A Written Assessment and Evaluation and shall include an evaluation of vegetation type, quantity, and quality.
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- (f) The applicant shall submit three copies of the application and accompanying documents.
 - (g) Permit Fee: No fee for single-family or duplex developments and a \$75.00 fee for all other properties.