



Removal of Trees Over Street Rights-of-Way

Code of City Ordinances: Chapter 86-51, Article III, Public Rights-of-Way.

It shall be unlawful for any owner or occupant who occupies or controls any property or portion thereof within the corporate city limits of Colleyville, to permit or allow trees, tree limbs or shrubs to grow within, or overhang into, any street right-of-way at heights that do not comply with this ordinance. Any tree, tree limbs, or shrubs, which are growing at a height less than required by this ordinance, may be declared a public nuisance.

Chapter 86: Section 86-51(a)(2). It shall be unlawful for any person owning or having supervision or control of any real property within the corporate limits of the city, to permit or allow a tree, shrub or tree limb to grow upon any such real property, or along the sidewalk or street adjacent to the same between the property line and the curb, or if there is no curb, between the property line and the edge of the street, if any portion of the tree, shrub or tree limb is growing at a height less than required by this ordinance (refer to exhibit A).



The minimum required height for overhanging tree limbs.

The minimum height requirement for tree limbs overhanging city streets is 14-feet above the street (refer to exhibit A).

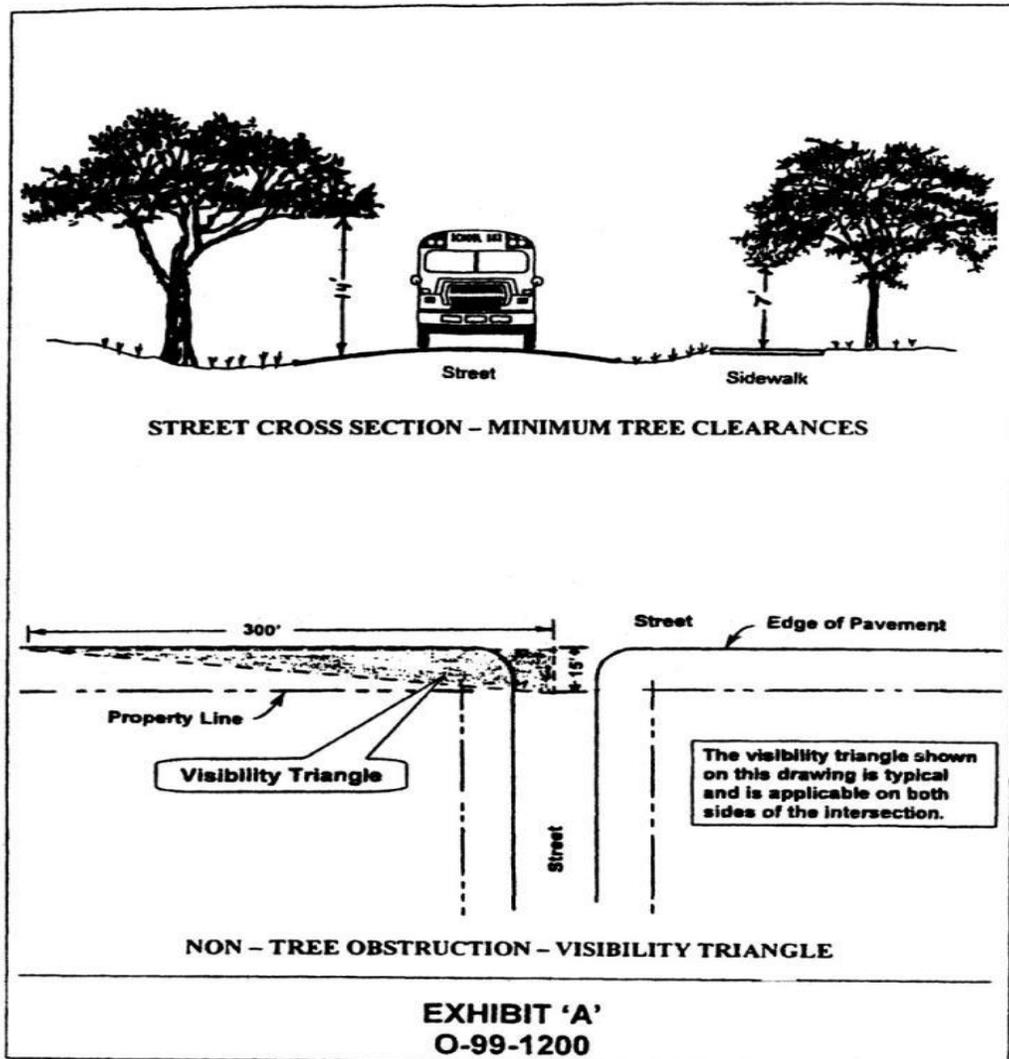
The minimum height requirement for tree limbs overhanging city sidewalks is 7-feet above the sidewalk (refer to exhibit A).

Section 86-51(a)(3). A tree, shrub or tree limb shall be deemed to interfere with or cause an obstruction to motorists or pedestrians if it obscures the motorists' or pedestrians' view of any street intersection, sign or traffic control device or if it otherwise causes or creates a hazard that could reasonably cause property damage or personal injury.



Section 86 (b)(2). It unlawful to allow trees, tree limbs or shrubs that may cause an obstruction to motorists or pedestrians by obscuring their viewing area within a city parkway visibility triangle. The required area heights are between 30 inches and 7-feet above the ground (refer to exhibit A on the back of this awareness notice).

Failure to comply with this City ordinance may result in a citation and/or the City may enter the property in violation, after official notification, and perform the work necessary to abate such violation(s). If the City's cost to abate this violation is not paid to the City within 30 days after billing, it will become a charge against the property and the City may file a lien upon the property.



This information is intended to serve as an overview of the Colleyville trees and shrubs growing in street rights-of-way ordinance requirements. For a more comprehensive list of requirements please visit our website at www.colleyville.com, or call the code enforcement department at 817.503.1268.