

Tree Canopy (or similar) Definitions From Other Local Governments

City of Athens, GA

Canopy tree. A large or medium tree with a crown size and shape that will typically provide significant shade and effect on temperature, air quality, water quality, and other environmental conditions, at maturity. Synonymous with "shade tree".

Future tree canopy cover. A standardized amount of future mature tree canopy cover credited to a particular species based upon its mature size category- large, medium, small, and very small- and the typical shape of its crown. The amount credited to each species is found in the *Athens-Clarke County Tree Species List*.

Large canopy tree. A tree with a canopy that reaches at least 1,600 square feet at maturity under urban conditions, with crown diameter of at least 45 feet.

Medium canopy tree. A tree with a canopy that reaches at least 900 square feet at maturity but less than 1,600 square feet under urban conditions, with a crown diameter of at least 35 feet.

Small canopy tree. A tree with a canopy that reaches at least 400 square feet at maturity but less than 900 square feet under urban conditions, with a crown diameter of at least 25 feet.

Very small canopy tree. A tree with a canopy that reaches at least 150 square feet at maturity but less than 400 square feet under urban conditions, with a crown diameter of at least 15 feet.

Tree canopy cover. The land area covered by a tree crown or crowns, as measured in square feet. For a site or lot it may be expressed as the percent of the land area covered by tree canopy and is calculated by dividing the tree canopy cover in square feet by the total land area of the site or lot.

City of Atlanta

Cover area means that area which falls within the drip line of any tree.

City of Beaufort, SC

Canopy Trees are tall trees that make up the forest canopy 40 or more feet above the ground.

City of Chapel Hill, NC

Significant tree stand means an area of contiguous wooded area greater than one thousand (1,000) square feet with a continuous canopy exceeding thirty (30) feet in height and where: Over fifty (50) per cent of the trees with a DBH over six (6) inches are hardwoods; or the understory includes a diversity of beeches, hickories, hollies, or other native tree species as determined by the town manager that are indicative of a significant evolving Piedmont forest.

City of Lake City, FL

Tree canopy cover shall mean the area of the property that contains coverage by any tree(s) and consists of the total crown spreads or drip lines of all existing trees on-site.

City of Louisville, KY

Tree Canopy -The area directly beneath the branches of a tree and within its dripline.

City of Ormond Beach, FL

Tree Preservation Area: A heavily wooded area preserved as open space for the protection and proliferation of trees.

Canopy Trees: A dicot or conifer tree, usually with a one (1) vertical stem or main trunk, which naturally develops a more or less distinct and elevated crown and provides at maturity a minimum shade crown of thirty feet (30') in diameter or greater. Trees may be grouped to achieve thirty feet (30') canopy spread.

Canopy Road Tree Protection Zone: All lands within fifty feet (50') of the centerline of those roads designated as canopy roads.

City of St. Augustine

Crown means the main mass of branching of a plant above ground.

Crown spread means the branching distance measured across the greatest diameter of a crown.

Significant tree canopy areas are defined as clusters of trees which form at least twenty-five (25) percent cover and include a variety of oak species and softwood species.

City of Valparaiso, CA

Tree Canopy shall mean the area covered by tree stems, branches and leaves as viewed overhead.

Canopy shall be quantified in square foot coverage.

City of Winter Park, FL

Canopy coverage shall mean the coverage of a tree, by its limbs and leaves, of the ground below.

This area may include trees offsite on adjacent properties or public rights-of-way where limbs and portions of a tree's canopy overhang onto the subject property.

Broward County

Canopy coverage means the areal extent of ground within the drip line of the tree.

Subcanopy means an intermediate level of trees and other vegetation within a Natural Forest Community.

Tree canopy means the upper portion of the tree consisting of limbs, branches, and leaves.

Flagler County

Canopy: The overall area of a tree's foliage, the outer edge of which is the drip line.

Martin County

Crown spread: The distance measured across the greatest diameter of the crown of a plant or a tree.

Miami-Dade Metro

Tree canopy cover: The aerial extent of the branches and foliage of a tree.

Orange County

Canopy tree shall mean a species of tree which normally grows to a mature height of forty (40) feet or more.

St. Johns County

Canopy Tree: Any Tree that is well-shaped, well-branched and well-foliated which normally grows to an over-all height of at least thirty-five feet (35) and normally develops an average mature spread of crown greater than thirty feet (30) in St. Johns County.