

How healthy is my tree?

Your Name: _____

Assessment Date: _____

Tree Location: _____

Tree Species: _____

Diameter at Breast Height: _____

Part 1: Canopy

Check the summary that best fits:

- The crown is full with mostly healthy branches and leaves.
- Some dead branches but otherwise tree looks good.
- Several major branches are dead and there are large gaps in the canopy without leaves.
- Most branches are dead and lack leaves.



Healthy canopy



Unhealthy canopy

Unhealthy leaves



Other things to look for (check all that apply):

- Leaves that look unhealthy (ex. brown spots, scorching, dull, thinning).
- Branch dieback (lack of leaves near branch tips)

Other notes: _____

Part 2: Stem

Check the summary that best fits:

- The stem is in good condition (solid, with no visible damage).
- The stem shows some damage (mechanical injury, insect holes, sapsucker wounds) but is mostly in good condition.
- The stem shows lots of damage and is in poor condition.



Good condition



Poor condition

Other things to look for (check all that apply):

- Insect damage (small, regular holes or tunnels in stem).
- Bark missing from the stem.
- Mushrooms or other fungal growth along the stem.
- Vines growing up stem.



Insect damage (tunneling)

Other notes: _____

Look up, look down, and all around...

Part 3: Root flare

Check the summary that best fits:

- Visible root flare.
- Root flare not visible (ex. below soil line, buried).

Other things to look for (check all that apply):

- Signs of mechanical damage (ex. from a mower).
- Mulch around root flare.
- Mushrooms or other fungal growth at base of tree.



Root flare visible



No visible root flare

Other notes: _____

Part 4: Root space

Check if you see any of the following:

- Exposed roots or eroded soil.
- Area around tree doesn't leave adequate room for roots (ex. paved, building, road).
- Soil around tree is disturbed (ex. shows signs of recent construction).
- Soil around tree is compacted (ex. walking path)
- Soil shows signs of poor drainage (ex. standing water nearby).
- Mushrooms or other fungal growth in root space.



Adequate root space



Not enough root space

Other notes: _____

Special Issues

<p>Is tree damaged? If so, describe here...</p>	<p>Is tree newly planted? If so...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Planted at the appropriate depth? <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate amount of mulch around base? (Not a mulch volcano) <input type="checkbox"/> Soil moist and shows signs of watering? <input type="checkbox"/> Vendor tags removed to avoid girdling tree?
<p>Is tree recently pruned? If so...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> All dead branches have been removed? <input type="checkbox"/> Pruning cuts clean and just above branch collar? 	