



Check the following:

The growth habits of individual tree species within the local environment were considered in order to develop the following pruning specifications.

"Pruning shall be done in accordance with ANSI A300 (Part 1) Pruning." Work procedures will follow the requirements (indicated by the word "shall") and recommendations (indicated by the word "should") of the ANSI A300 Part 1 Pruning standards. Note: On occasion, the arborist is allowed to deviate from a recommendation based on the unique needs of a particular job, tree species, or work site.

1. Tree(s) to be pruned: _____

2. State Pruning Objective(s).

Risk reduction, explain: _____

Manage Health, explain: _____

Clearance, explain _____

Structural Improvement/correction, explain: _____

View improvement, explain: _____

Aesthetic improvement, explain _____

Restoration, explain: _____

Structural, explain _____

Other, explain _____

3. Select Pruning Method(s) and Create Specification(s) to accomplish the objective(s). (Italicized fields are required.)

Clean (Pruning to remove one or more of the following non-beneficial parts: dead, diseased, and/or broken branches).

Location: _____

Size range of parts to be removed: _____

Other: _____

Raise (Selective pruning to provide vertical clearance).

Clearance distance: _____

Location: _____

Size range of parts to be removed: _____

Other: _____

Reduce (Selective pruning to decrease height and/or spread).

Location/Clearance: _____

Size range of parts to be removed: _____

Other: _____

Thin (Selective pruning to reduce density of live branches).

Location: _____

Percentage of foliage to be removed: _____

Other: _____

4. Specialty Pruning

Restoration (Selective pruning to redevelop structure, form, and appearance of severely pruned, vandalized, or damaged trees.)

Size range of parts to be removed: _____

Location: _____

Percentage of sprouts to be removed: _____

Other: _____

Vista/View (Pruning shall consist of the use of one or more pruning methods(types) to enhance a specific line of sight.)

Pruning Methods(s) to be used: _____

Size range of parts to be removed: _____

Location: _____

Percentage of foliage to be removed: _____

Other: _____

SAMPLE PRUNING SPECIFICATIONS

- #1. Scope: Large Live Oak , on west side of pool
- Objectives: Increase light penetration through east side of tree. Reduce risk potential of 1” diameter falling branches.
- Specifications: All broken branches and 1”+ diameter dead branches shall be removed from the crown.
- The three lowest 8”+ diameter branches on the east side shall be thinned 25% with 1” to 3” diameter cuts.

NOTE: All work shall be completed in compliance with ANSI A300 and Z133.1 Standards.

- #2. Scope: 1 Arizona Ash
- Objective: Enhance structure/structural development.
- Specifications: General:
- All pruning shall be completed in compliance with A300 Standards.
- Detail:
- Thin crown 20-25% with 1"-4" diameter cuts. Reduce west co-dominant leader by approximately 12'.
- #3. Scope: 23 Evergreen Elm, newly installed
- Objective: Maximize establishment – reduce Nuisance while enhancing natural growth habit.
- All work shall be completed in compliance with A300 Standards and the following specifications.
- Specifications:
- Retain as much size as possible and 80-90% density of foliage.
 - Lowest permanent branch will be 6' above grade in 4-5 years.
 - Retain all sprout growth originating 18" above grade on trunk and 4" out from branch attachments throughout crown.
 - Remove weakest rubbing branches.
 - Remove dead branches.
 - Reduce broken branches or branches with dead ends back to live laterals or buds. Heading cuts can be used.
 - Maintain all growth originating between 1.5'(18") and 6' (72") 6" behind adjacent edge of walks. Heading cuts are ok.