



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION / ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING
APPLICATION FOR **MANGROVE TRIMMING OR ALTERATION**

For the trimming or alteration of mangroves that is not covered by an exemption as outlined in Chapter 54, Article XXXV of the Sarasota County Ordinances.

TYPE OF PERMIT:

- RR

- 1 & 2 Family
- Commercial
- Utility or road r/w
- Vacant Lot/ No residence
- Multi-residential

APPLICANT INFORMATION: Owner(s) Name _____

Mailing address _____ State, Zip Code _____

Telephone (home) _____ (business) _____ Email address _____

Contact Name _____ Phone _____

PROFESSIONAL MANGROVE TRIMMER (PMT) INFORMATION:

Name /Company _____

Mailing address _____ State, Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Email address _____ Registration Number: _____

PROJECT SITE INFORMATION:

Property Identification Number (s) _____

Address _____

Subdivision _____

Lot _____ Block _____ Unit _____ Phase _____

Project Name, if Commercial: _____

Owner(s) name _____

If different from applicant

Mailing address _____ State, Zip Code _____

Telephone (home) _____ (business) _____ Email address _____

State the number of mangroves to be removed or trimmed and the impacted area.

Removed: _____ **Trimmed:** _____

Impacted area (square feet or acres) _____

Why are mangroves to be removed or trimmed? Add explanation in separate sheet if necessary. An explanation of how the site plan avoids and minimizes impacts should be included.

The permit application should contain the following:

- 1. **ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY OF THE COMPLETED MANGROVE TRIMMING APPLICATION** and two copies of the following drawings and general application requirements on 8.5"x11" paper:
 - a. Location Sketch showing adjacent properties and ownership, project site, with north arrow, streets and waterway identification.
 - b. Aerial Photo showing total project area.
 - c. Plan View of the project site and adjacent shoreline properties. Please provide scaled or dimensioned site plans showing an overhead and profile (side-view) drawings clearly delineating and identifying the areas to be trimmed or altered.

NOTE: All drawings must be consistent with the Specific Requirements for Application Drawings on Pages 3 and 4 of this application.
 - d. Work Description detailing trimming or alteration work to be completed.
- 2. **PROOF OF PROPERTY OWNERSHIP** of the property to be developed (i.e., deed or recent property tax receipt), parcel identification number and legal description of the property including any submerged lands.
- 3. **\$200.00 NON-REFUNDABLE REVIEW FEE.** This fee is due at the time of application submittal. Additional permit fees will be due upon permit issuance.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION

- 1) Applicants for a Trimming Permit must provide sufficient information to determine the scope of the proposed trimming and whether the activity will comply with the conditions of Sarasota County Ordinances, Chapter 54, Article XXXV, Sections 54-1071 through 54-1085.
- 2) All trimming under a Permit pursuant to Sarasota County Ordinances, must be performed by a professional mangrove trimmer. This application must be signed by the professional mangrove trimmer who will perform the trimming, and the individual who owns or controls the property.
- 3) Trimming or Alteration shall not commence prior to issuance of permit. Any deviation from the permitted Trimming or Alteration will invalidate the permit and subject the owner(s) to criminal and/or civil prosecution pursuant to the Sarasota County Code, Chapter 54, Article XXXV, Mangrove Trimming and Preservation Code.

MANGROVE TRIMMING AND ALTERATION DRAWINGS

Please note that the following requirements for application drawings are only intended as guidelines for your use. Additional information may be required by the County to evaluate the proposal in reference to specific site conditions.

PLAN VIEW shall at least include, but is not limited to the following:

- 1) The number, approximate location and species of all mangroves at the project site, or if this is not practical, show the area covered by the tree canopy and indicate the dominant tree species present;
- 2) the depth of the mangrove area(s) as measured waterward from the trunk of the most landward mangrove tree in a direction perpendicular to the shoreline to the trunk of the most waterward mangrove tree;
- 3) the extent of the mangrove canopy;
- 4) the existing height of the mangroves and the proposed height after trimming or alteration;
- 5) length of owner's shoreline;
- 6) the location of the proposed trimming or alteration in relation to permanent features such as docks, seawalls, fences, etc.;
- 7) riparian lines (a certified riparian rights survey by a professional land surveyor may be required);
- 8) the approximate shape and dimensions of the lot or parcel of land and the existing shoreline as determined using Rule 62-340, F.A.C. (approximate wetland or surface water/upland line) and the approximate location of the mean high water line, which is generally the waterward property boundary line;
- 9) existing native habitats and any proposed impacts; and
- 10) North arrow and a legend that explains all symbols and patterns used in the drawings.

CROSS-SECTIONAL VIEW shall at a minimum include, but is not limited to the following:

- 1) The existing height of the mangroves and the proposed height after trimming or alteration and
- 2) the portions of the trees that are proposed to be trimmed or altered in annual stages.

ADDITIONAL APPLICATION MATERIALS: MANGROVE TRIMMING

- 1) Provide proof that mangroves proposed to be trimmed are located on lands owned or controlled by the professional mangrove trimmer listed below, or by the person contracting with the professional mangrove trimmer, or on sovereign submerged lands (state owned submerged lands) immediately waterward and perpendicular to such lands;
- 2) provide proof of registration and certification of Professional Mangrove Trimmer under contractor for alteration work;
- 3) if applicable, provide proof that mangroves have been trimmed in the past under a permit;
- 4) provide a schedule of trimming to ensure that no more than 25% of foliage will be removed annually until final height is achieved, that includes; the anticipated beginning and ending dates of the trimming project;
- 5) provide a description of how the cut mangrove material will be removed, and where the cut material will be disposed and;
- 6) if the proposed trimming is to occur on property developed for multifamily residential use; trimming must be equitably distributed. Provide a description of trimming so that each owner's riparian view is similarly affected.

ADDITIONAL APPLICATION MATERIALS: MANGROVE ALTERATION

- 1) Provide the number of mangroves to be altered;
- 2) provide the species of mangroves to be altered;
- 3) provide a description of the purpose of the alteration and the desired final configuration;
- 4) provide a description of the alteration techniques to be used;
- 5) provide proof of registration and certification of Professional Mangrove Trimmer under contract for alteration work;
- 6) provide a description of how the cut mangrove material will be removed, and where it will be disposed;
- 7) provide an ecological assessment of current mangrove shoreline;
- 8) provide a description of any impact minimization techniques that will be used;
- 9) provide a description of any mitigation activities that will be used and
- 10) if applicable, describe location, size and type of nuisance/invasive vegetation to be removed.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE REQUIRED DEPENDING ON
SITE CONDITIONS AND PROJECT DETAILS**

For more information contact

Environmental Permitting at 941-861-5000 or
visit Environmental Permitting offices at the following locations:
North County - 1001 Sarasota Center Blvd., Sarasota, FL 34240
South County - 4000 S. Tamiami Trail, Room 122, Venice, FL 34293



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South County: Development Services
4000 Tamiami Trail S. Room 122
Venice, Florida 34293-5076
941-861-3282 (Fax)

North County: Development Services
1001 Sarasota Center Blvd
Sarasota, Florida 34240
941-861-6471 (Fax)

AUTOMATED TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR BOTH OFFICES: 941-861-6441

NOTICE: In addition to the requirements for this permit, there may be additional restrictions to this property that may be found in the public records of the county or that may be required from other governmental entities such as water management district, state agencies or federal agencies.

PROFESSIONAL MANGROVE TRIMMERS AFFIDAVIT: I certify that all the foregoing information is accurate and that the work will be done in compliance with all applicable laws. I acknowledge and accept responsibility for compliance with the correct regulations, ordinances, as well as the payment of all legally constituted fees regarding this application including but not limited to ALL REVIEW FEES AND PERMIT FEES.

OWNERS AFFIDAVIT: I certify that all the foregoing information is accurate and that all work will be done in compliance with all applicable laws. I agree to allow any authorized employee of Sarasota County to enter upon the premises associated with this project for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with the terms and conditions of the application, or permit, and/or permit stipulations.

COUNTY RESPONSIBILITY: Nothing herein shall be deemed to authorize or create a duty on the part of the County and its officers, agents and employees to assure or guarantee construction and work in compliance with County ordinances or the plans and specifications submitted thereunder. County officials administering this permit conduct only spot checks to the best of their ability and within the limitations of the available time and personnel. No expectations based upon permits or approvals issued hereunder should arise that construction and work performed pursuant to said permits or approvals does in fact comply with County ordinances or the plans and specifications submitted thereunder. Any person designing to assure such compliance should seek the assistance of independent persons qualified to perform such evaluations.

COMPLIANCE: The owners, authorized agent or professional mangrove trimmer certifies that, together with plans and specifications submitted to Planning and Development Services: Environmental Protection Division, this application shows a true representation of the mangrove trimming or alteration to be accomplished under this permit. It is understood that any deviations from the original documents, unless approved by the Mangrove Trimming and Preservation Ordinance administrator, will render the permit invalid. The owner(s), authorized agent or professional mangrove trimmer further agrees to comply with all Sarasota County laws and codes pertaining to the work and agree at any time to make all changes required by the Mangrove Trimming and Preservation Ordinance administrator to conform to County and State ordinances, laws and regulations.

Under penalty of perjury, I hereby declare that I have completed the foregoing document and all document attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and that all of the information contained therein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and understood the above affidavit on the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

(Signature of Owner, contractor or its authorized agent) (Printed Name) STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF _____

_____ Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____,
by, _____ Personally Known or Produced ID _____
(name of person making statement) (Type of ID & Number)

Notary Signature: _____ Notary Name Printed: _____

Commission Number _____ (Notary Stamp)

OWNER'S ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION STATEMENT: Under penalty of perjury, I declare that all the information contained in this mangrove trimming/alteration permit application is true and correct.