HUGHES Trusted Tree Care TREE TOPICS SPRING 2025 Vol. 40 - Issue 1 Your Spring Checklist

We all enjoy spring time, but with spring comes some much needed maintenance for your trees and shrubs.

RETURN YOUR PLANT HEALTH CARE CONTRACT

Our Plant Health Care program covers these items as well as many other fertilization and pest control needs. Please mail back your PHC contract today, or call 402-558-8198 to request a customized Plant Health Care plan for your property.



INSPECT TREES FOR PRUNING & REMOVAL

Pruning improves a tree's health, structure and appearance. It is important to selectively remove dead, dying, diseased or weak branches. Pruning can also provide clearance by removing lower branches while maintaining the tree's natural shape. **Call Hughes at 402-558-8198 to schedule a Certified Arborist to assess your trees.**



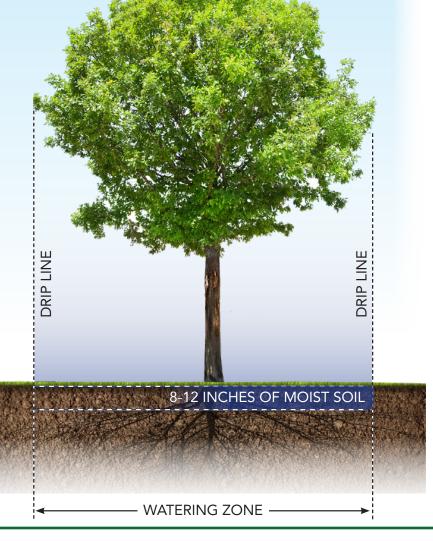
MULCH TREES, SHRUBS & PLANTING BEDS

Mulch holds water, releasing it over time. This may reduce your irrigation needs. As organic mulch decomposes, it returns nutrients to the soil, reducing the number of fertilizer applications required.

THANK YOU FOR VOTING US BEST OF OMAHA, FOURTEEN YEARS IN A ROW!



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Watering Trees

How often you water depends on the size of the tree, soil conditions and weather conditions. The best way to determine when trees need water is to check the soil.

- A deep soaking every 2 weeks is adequate for most trees.
- Focus on watering the entire area beneath the tree's "Drip Line".
- Let the water run in one area until the top 8-12 inches of soil is moistened. Move sprinklers as needed to water the entire area underneath the tree's canopy.
- The goal is for moist (not soggy) soil. Deep watering allows critical root zone to take up adequate moisture.

Emerald Ash Borer Continues to Kill Trees in the Omaha Metro

Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) can be a death sentence for your Ash trees. We have not seen a potential insect infestation of this magnitude since the 1970's with Dutch Elm disease. Your Ash trees can be treated if treatment begins before they are infested. Once the larvae have killed more than 30 percent of a tree, it is fatal.

After meeting with University researchers and Arborists from EAB infested areas in other parts of the country, we have developed a long term treatment strategy. We are confident our treatment plan will maintain the health of your Ash trees for years to come.

Contact us to have your Ash trees evaluated by one of our Certified Arborists who can tailor an EAB strategy to your specific needs.



IF YOUR ASH TREE WAS TREATED FOR EAB IN 2021 OR BEFORE, YOUR ASH TREE NEEDS TO BE TREATED AGAIN!



NOW IS THE TIME TO SCHEDULE YOUR 2024 EAB TREATMENTS. CALL HUGHES TREE SERVICE @ 402-558-8198



Hughes Plant Health Care



Pruning Trees Reduces Storm Damage

It's been a while since Omaha has had a powerful, tree damaging storm. This means that we're due for one, and as unpredictable as the weather has been lately, we wouldn't be surprised to see it happen this spring or summer. We aren't trying to be prophets of doom, we just want to be proactive. Preventive pruning is much more economical.

Trees have a natural shape, and this shape can be maintained with regular, professional pruning. When subjected to heavy winds, out-of-shape trees are most likely to break because they are more apt to have unhealthy, decayed or weakly attached branches that are unable to withstand the force of the wind. Call now and our professional arborists will remove branches that are unable to withstand strong winds.



If your trees do suffer damage, our professional arborists can restore them with skillful, professional pruning. Call us today at 402-558-8198 for professional pruning before the

22 Certified Arborists on Staff

Hughes Tree Service has a staff of proud, professional, caring and customer oriented certified arborists. We take great pride in developing a team of certified arborists, providing them with the knowledge, training and equipment they need. Our Plant Health Care technicians are fully trained and licensed in plant diagnostics, insect and disease treatment, and fertilization. Our staff will exceed our customers' expectations so much, the customers will not only purchase our services in the future without hesitation, they will tell other potential customers about the benefits of our company.

Plant a New Tree this Spring!

We believe that for every tree removed, a new tree should be planted. With that in mind we are pleased to offer our customers a diverse selection of Nebraska grown trees. You don't even have to lift a hand, ask our certified arborists from Hughes Tree Service about installing your new tree. **CALL 402-558-8198 TO ORDER YOUR NEW TREE!**



Thomsen Blue Spruce \$**399.00**

Mature Height: 40 ft Mature Width: 15 ft.

Whiskey Blue Hills' is a blue selection of Black Hills Spruce. It has a strong pyramidal, semi-compact habit with a fast growth rate. This tree is cold hardy with attractive powdery blue needles.

Red Oak \$489.00

Mature Height: 40 ft Mature Width: 15 ft. Fall Color: Reliable Fall Red Color

> Pyramidal in youth, rounded at maturity Foliage is glossy, dark green.





Have you renewed your Plant Health Care Program?

You should have received a contract in the mail like the one pictured here. If you didn't, call our office at 402-558-8198 and we will send one right out to you. Plant Health Care (PHC) is a wellness program that covers more than just the pests on your renewal. It covers any problems our PHC professional encounters when visiting your property. The result is effective treatment that is better for the environment. So, don't delay, renew today. We can't provide any care without your signed contract.



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