



Tree Safety Checklist

Tree Inspected by:		Date:	
Site Address:		Location:	

Note: Prior to walking under a tree, assess it from a distance to ensure no broken/hanging limbs are present.	✓
Is there fungi or mushrooms growing on the root system or trunk of the tree?	
Does the tree have a lean? Has the root plate shifted? Is the root system in a confined space? Is there damage to exposed roots?	
Is the tree tall and top heavy?	
Are there hollows, cavities or cracks in the trunk?	
Is there a bees or termites nest in the tree?	
Are there any wounds or damage to the trunk?	
Is there any bulging of the trunk?	
Are there any splits or cracks where branches join to the trunk?	
Does the tree have multiple stems growing from the same point?	
Is there excessive sap flow or bleeding on the trunk or branches?	
Has the tree been lopped or pruned heavily in the past?	
Does the tree have long heavy branches?	
Is there any deadwood or broken branches hanging in the tree?	
Has the tree been affected by storm or lightening damage?	
Does the tree have a history of branch failure?	
Has the tree got a lot of new shoots sprouting off the trunk and internal branches?	

Is the tree overhanging a high traffic area or an occupied building?	
Do children play or sit under the tree?	

If you have ticked one or more of these boxes, please contact your local arborist for professional advice and recommendations.

We recommend tree inspections are documented and scheduled annually through a tree management plan.

Trees should be inspected by a minimum qualified Certificate IV Arborist with more than 10 years experience.

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Some common defects to look for:



Fungi – Wounds – Bulging of the trunk around the wound



Previously lopped trees or branches with new emergency shoots



Multiple stems arising from the same point. Split at branch union

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