



Callery Pear (Bradford Pear Tree) Tree Removal

The Ohio Department of Agriculture has declared the Callery Pear Tree, also known as the Bradford Pear Tree, a nuisance tree. They have banned the sale and planting of the tree in Ohio. However, these trees are not REQUIRED to be removed, but it is recommended in highly wooded areas. The Village of Doylestown has maintained these trees in the area between the sidewalk and street, removing dead ones and pruning healthy ones. We have heard complaints from homeowners that would like to remove them. The Shade Tree Committee wants to continue to maintain and plant trees as part of our Shade Tree USA commitment, but understand the concerns of the citizens and has come up with the following policy:

- If you have a Callery Pear Tree, you will need to notify the Shade Tree Committee in writing if you wish to remove it.
- The committee will review your request within 45 days for approval.
- Once approved, you will be responsible for removal and disposal of the tree, having the stump ground, and the hole filled with topsoil and grass seed. This will be solely the responsibility of the homeowner.
- If you do not have any other trees elsewhere planted in your front yard, you will be required to plant one with a minimum tree base of 2" inches in your front yard or \$150.00 fee will be required for planting trees in place of the one removed.

Call Harold Rozak – Shade Tree Commissioner at 330-988-9250 with any questions.