



## Tree Maintenance Checklist

*This information is provide by Authority of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources*

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>April/May</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Plant trees.</li> <li>◇ Mulch.</li> <li>◇ Stake if needed.</li> <li>◇ Prune only if necessary to remove dead/damaged branches.</li> <li>◇ Check for insect and disease problems.</li> <li>◇ Remove tags and twine from branches and trunk.</li> <li>◇ Water every week that there is less than an inch of rain.</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>June</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Inspect trees for insects and disease.</li> <li>◇ Inspect trees for signs of mechanical and animal damage. Use shelters if needed.</li> <li>◇ Control weeds.</li> <li>◇ Water every week that there is less than an inch of rain.</li> </ul>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>November through March</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Winter pruning for crossing or dead branches.</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>April</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Remove sun protectors.</li> <li>◇ Remove tree staking from last years transplanted trees.</li> <li>◇ Mulch.</li> </ul>