

Approvals Required for Native Vegetation and Tree Removal within Bushfire Protection Areas

Building or Structure

0 – 10m

High or Medium Bushfire

10m – 20m

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Large Tree –

The Native Vegetation Regulations 2017 define a large tree as a tree that has a trunk circumference (measured at a point 1 metre above the base of the tree) of 2 metres or more.

Relevant Contact Details:

CFS - 8391 6077

Native Vegetation Council:

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Mitcham Council - 8372 8807

No approval needed to remove any native vegetation or tree located within 10 metres from a dwelling or building.

For the removal of large native trees, an approval from the CFS or Native Vegetation Council is required. Any approval by the CFS should be provided to the Native Vegetation Council prior to removal of any tree/s.

Approvals within this distance are for asset protection, requiring a determination if the tree/s pose a risk to asset protection.

Removal of any native vegetation is limited therefore contact the Native Vegetation Council for further information. (Native Vegetation is defined in the Act)

PLEASE NOTE: If a tree is located within 20 metres of a dwelling in a High or Medium Bushfire area, NO approval is required from Mitcham Council (regardless of species).