

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

FOR MORE INFORMATION

LANDSCAPING

Do I need a permit to Landscape my yard?

You do not need a permit to landscape your yard, provided that your landscaping is contained within your property lines.

Do I need a permit to build a flower bed with landscape ties or a cement or similar materials to create an edge?

You do not need a permit to use landscaping ties, cement or similar materials to create an edging on your flower bed.

What kind of trees or shrubs can I plant?

Town of Fox Creek is located within 3a plant hardiness zone. The Town does not specify what you can plant. For trees/shrubs and perennials that can do well in our hardiness zone, and range maps for individual species of trees, shrubs and perennial herbs, please visit www.planthardiness.gc.ca



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Visit www.foxcreek.ca to download a copy of the application form.

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Utility Safety Partners

Where's the LINE?

1-800-242-3447 or UtilitySafety.ca

Utility Safety Partners will assist you in locating electric, oil-gas and communication lines



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LANDSCAPING REGULATIONS

The Town's Land Use Bylaw allows for most landscaping be completed **without** permits. Some guidelines to follow.

Any portion of a site area not occupied by buildings or parking/storage areas shall be landscaped with hard or soft landscaping to the following standard:

- a) Existing trees and shrubs shall be conserved to the maximum extent possible.
- b) A Maximum of 50% of the front yard shall be hard landscaped.
- c) A sufficient depth of topsoil to facilitate growth in the soft landscaped area, with areas not planted to trees and shrubs being seeded to grass, or sodded to a turf standard.

Residential lots with single detached or duplex dwellings shall have at least one (1) tree located in the front yard.



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Multi-unit residential dwellings shall be landscaped as follows

- a) one (1) tree for each 35.0 M² (376.7ft²) and one (1) shrub for each 15.0 m² (161.5ft²) of required yard area
- b) The number of trees may be reduced by 50% by replacing each tree with two (2) shrubs
- c) At least 25% of the required trees shall be within the front yard, and these trees shall not be replaced with shrubs.

Commercial and Industrial developments shall be landscaped as follows

- a) one(1) tree for each 100.0 m² (1076.4 ft²) of required yard area.
- b) The number of trees may be reduced by 50% by replacing each tree with two (2) shrubs
- c) At least 25% of the required trees shall be within the front yard, and these trees shall not be replaced with shrubs.

Institutional developments shall be

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landscaped to requirements established at the discretion of the Development Authority.

Off-street parking lots for apartment, commercial, and industrial developments shall be landscaped as follows.

- a) Trees shall be provided in the amount of at least one tree for every 175.0m² (1,883.7ft²) of parking lot area.
- b) Trees shall be of a type and size approved by the development authority
- c) Trees required shall be located within the parking area in locations where visibility for the safe movement of persons and traffic is not impaired.

When in doubt, the Planning and Development Department is here to help!