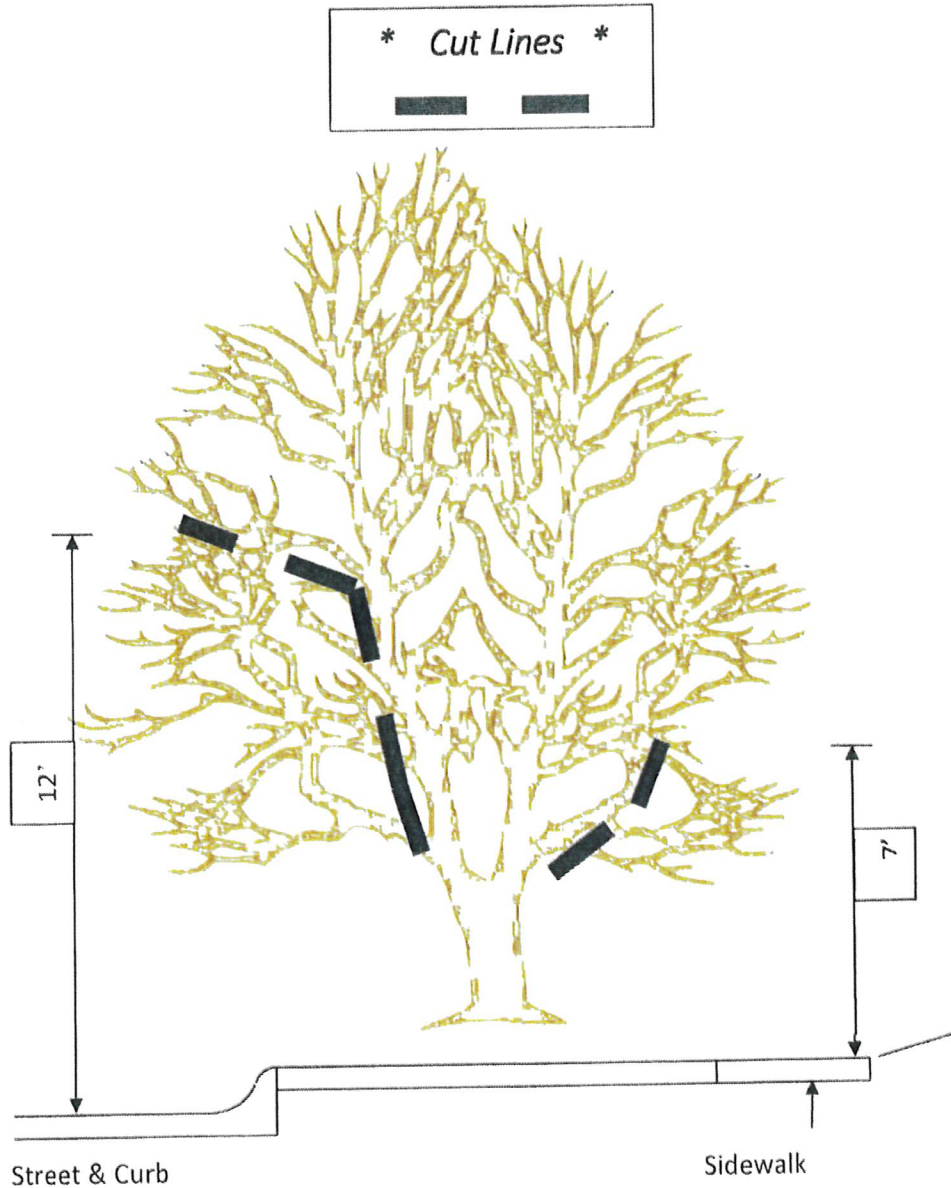


## Goshen Township Pruning Specifications for Street Trees



The purpose of this routine pruning is to produce strong, healthy, attractive trees and to provide safe clearance along your streets and sidewalks. Pruning for safety involves removing branches that could fall and cause injury or property damage, and trimming branches that interfere with lines of sight on streets or driveways. In addition, this trimming allows for safe passage of school buses and snow plows.

Please notice the cut lines illustrated in the picture above. This is the approximate location of the cut lines which will be trimmed on your trees. A proper cut begins just outside the swelling of the branch where it is attached. The quality of pruning cuts can be evaluated by examining pruning wounds after one growing season. A complete circle of wound wood will form by next year. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns regarding the method of trimming.

*Drawing approved by The Ohio Division of Forestry 1/8/07*

## **5543.14 County engineer to trim or remove vegetation along roads.**

The county engineer may trim or remove any and all trees, shrubs, and other vegetation growing in or encroaching onto the right-of-way of the county roads of the engineer's county, and the board of township trustees may trim or remove any and all trees, shrubs, and other vegetation growing in or encroaching onto the right-of-way of the township roads of its township, as is necessary in the engineer's or board's judgment to facilitate the right of the public to improvement and maintenance of, and uninterrupted travel on, county and township roads. The engineer or board is not required to compensate the abutting landowner for trimming or removing such trees, shrubs, and other vegetation as is necessary to facilitate these rights. The department of agriculture or other proper department may, with the consent of the proper authorities, take charge of the care of such trees to facilitate these rights. Such department may, with the consent of the proper authorities of the township, county, or state, plant trees along the public highway and may use any funds available for the development of forestry in the state to pay the expense of the planting and care of such trees. The ownership of all trees, so planted, shall remain in the public.

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