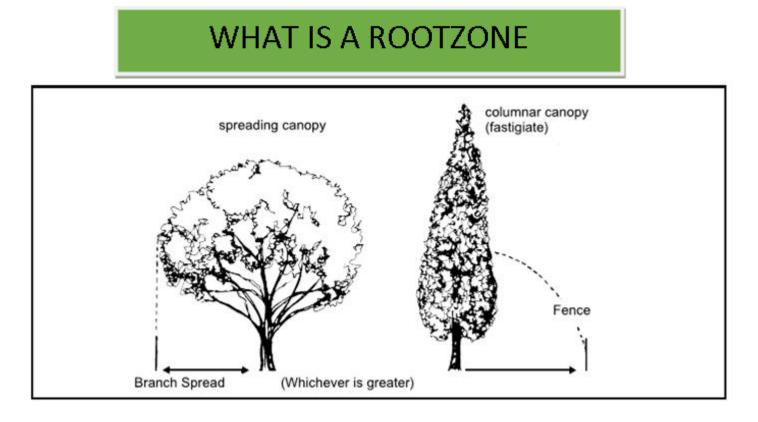


## PROCEDURE FOR WORKING AROUND TREES IN THE QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT

- Before you excavate near trees or within their root zone you must get advice from the Council Arborist or their nominated arborist.
- If your works are part of a project you will be required to engage an appropriate Consulting Arborist to oversee all works around QLDC trees.
- They will give you guidance and restrictions around what you can and cannot do. These must be followed to avoid damage to trees and their roots.
- This should be done at least **10 working days** before you want to start work.



 O The root zone should be worked out using the distance from the tree trunk to the end of the <u>longest branch</u>, or
O Half the height of a tall thin tree

- All excavations within the rootzone shall be supervised by a QLDC compliant arborist.
- Protect main stems and rootzone area by placing fencing around trees.
- All attempts shall be made to maintain 3 times the trunk diameter from the tree base.





## THINGS TO REMEMBER

- No work is to be carried out within the root zone without arborist advice
- No materials, equipment or liquids may be stored within or near the root zone and care must be taken to stop run-off from construction debris, fuel or rinsing of equipment from entering the soil in or around the root zone.
- No vehicles may be parked within the root zone
- If you think you need to prune the tree to allow scaffolding installation, cranes or vehicles movements, then contact the Council arborist or their nominated arborist first.
- Do not attach notice boards, telephone cables, taps or other services to any part of a tree.
- Concrete mixing should not be carried out within 10m of the trees root zone. You should make allowance for sloping ground so that materials such as concrete washings, mortar, fuel or oil cannot run towards trees.

## IF YOU CANNOT WORK WITHIN THESE PROCEDURES THEN CONTACT THE COUNCIL ARBORIST



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