

Tree Management – Private Land



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CCB Executive Meeting

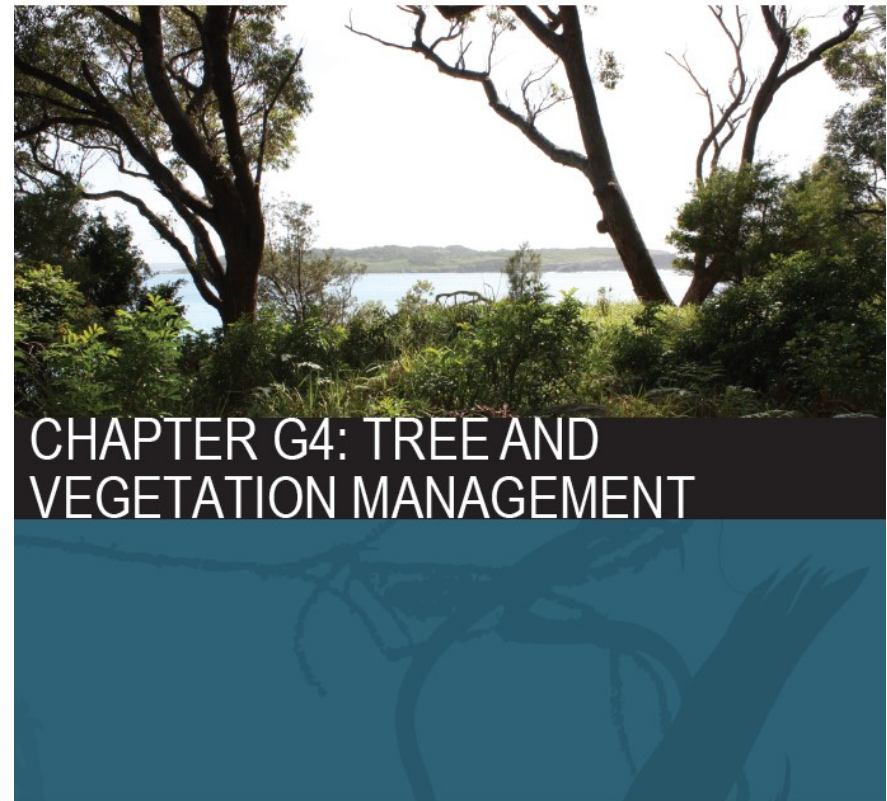
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- Interaction with NSW Government legislation
- Various chapters relevant depending on context
- Chapter G4 – Trees & Vegetation Management
- Guidance on removal and pruning of trees and other vegetation
- Circumstances when approval or consent needed from Council





- Clause 5.2.3 Exemptions include:

*Where a **tree** is closer than its own height from an approved **building** (including a **dwelling**, **garage** or **outbuilding**). This means where any part of a **tree** is above a line 45 degrees from the vertical extension of the wall of any building measured from its base*

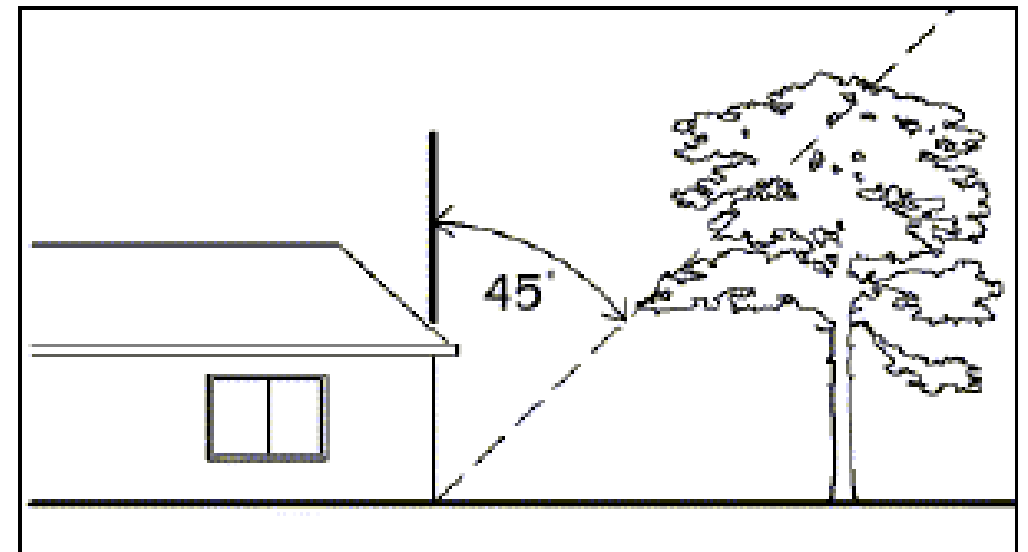


Figure 1: Example of the 45 degrees line from the vertical extension



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- Councillor Notice of Motion, 23 September 2018
- Council Resolution:

Re-affirm it's "45 degree-rule" tree removal policy

Staff prepare a draft policy on "compensatory tree planting" following the legal removal of trees address, but not be restricted to the following:

in our city. This policy would need to

- Suitable sites to plant new trees, especially in non-residential locations.*
- The ideal new tree to old tree ratio.*
- The possibility of recoupment costs.*
- The investigation of similar policies that may exist in other municipal*

areas



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- Tree Audit – trial case study completed
- Prepared by UTS for sample area at St.Georges Basin
- Looks at value of trees in urban environment
- Identifies the economic, social and environmental values of retaining trees
- Will be reported to Council for consideration shortly



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- Better outcomes in future new subdivisions
- Planning controls for new urban release areas

Protect riparian corridors

Vegetation Corridors

Connectivity

Smaller lots - Role of streets and open space