

Emerald Ash Borer Treatment Tree Contractors

The following companies have met the criteria for treating property owner's ash trees for Emerald Ash Borer in the City of New Brighton:

The companies listed here from New Brighton have been removed, since this is a sample document to help other cities. Municipalities will qualify contractors in their own city.

In order for the Contractor to be listed on the City web site the Contractor agreed to the following criteria:

- 1) Contactor will not charge owners of property in the City more than \$10 per diameter inch, but may charge less than this amount. Contractor may set a minimum charge to treat a tree or trees on any given property, but this may not exceed \$100.
- 2) Contractor is required to treat trees in the City for Emerald Ash Borer, using an approved trunk injection method and will use only the product TREE-age (Emamectin Benzoate 4%) in these treatments. The Contractor will follow the approved application rates on the attached chart, but otherwise will follow all label requirements.
- 3) Contractor will only treat trees during the following treatment window: After the leaves have fully emerged in the spring, through the summer and while leaves remain on the tree in the fall.
- 4) Contractor must provide proof of general commercial liability insurance.
- 5) Contractor has been in the business for a minimum of 5 years.
- 6) Contractor has, at minimum, one Certified Arborist on staff.
- 7) Contractor applying chemical applications for Emerald Ash Borer must have a State of MN Commercial Applicators license (A & E).
- 8) Contractor agrees not to treat City owned trees (boulevard) at the request of a property owner, as the City will treat or remove those trees separately. Property owners can treat a boulevard tree only if they have written permission from the City.
- 9) Contractor agrees to provide a two year guarantee that the treated tree(s) will not die from Emerald Ash Borer attack, but may also decline to treat or guarantee any tree deemed to be already in poor health (either due to insects, disease or physical damage). If a treated tree dies within two years of treatment, due to Emerald Ash Borer, the Contractor agrees that the guarantee, at a minimum, will provide that Contractor will return to the customer the cost of the application to treat dead tree(s). Disagreements on cause of death will require a contractor and customer to agree to work with a certified Arborist who is not on Contractor's staff for a second evaluation. The City will not assist in this process.
- 10) Contractor will provide the city with a list of all treated private trees, including customer's name, property address, and number of trees treated within the City by November 1, 2010. This information will be used to assist the City in enforcing the tree ordinance policy.