



Bald Head Association ~ “The voice for BHI property owners”

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Who Do I Call?

Trees — “Hangers” and “Leaners” after a Storm

After a storm, such as Hurricane Dorian that blew through Bald Head Island in September 2019, it’s always a good time to remind property owners about the proper process for handling trees and limbs that may be leaning or have fallen.

Ascertain if affected trees are on your property:

1. If affected trees are on your property and pose an “imminent danger” risk to humans or property, email “before” and “after” photographs to trees@baldheadassociation.com and handle only those trees as necessary.
2. If affected trees are on your property but pose no “imminent danger,” email trees@baldheadassociation.com for approval **BEFORE** any trimming or cutting begins. A BHA staff member will facilitate the necessary Village approvals with Stephen Boyett. No work should begin before all approvals have been granted by both BHA and the Village.
3. If limbs and small trees are on your property and meet the Design Guidelines for trimming with no approval, you can proceed. BHA encourages having a natural habitat.

The Design Guidelines state, “ARC review and approval is required before the removal of trees 3 inches in diameter measured 48 inches along the trunk from ground level, tree limbs of 3 inches or more in diameter, clustered growth vegetation 2 square feet or more at ground level, regardless of branching habits or diameter of the branches. Within the understory, ARC approval is also required to remove vegetation 1 inch or greater in diameter measured 48 inches along the trunk from ground level.”

If affected trees are NOT on your property:

1. BHA owns Common Area. If trees are on BHA Common Area (for example, the area between your lot and the golf course that is owned by BHA) and approved by BHA for trimming/cutting, BHA will facilitate the work. Send requests to trees@baldheadassociation.com.
2. If trees are in BHA-managed drip-line communities (Keeper’s Landing, Sumner’s Crescent and Surfman’s Walk), BHA owns all property outside of the drip line from your roof. All landscaping work is facilitated by Pam Rainey. Contact her at 910-457-4676, ext. 24 or at trees@baldheadassociation.com.
3. If tree work on BHA Common Area and BHA-managed communities is done by owners in these areas, fines will be assessed.
4. If trees are in communities managed by sub-associations (Flora’s Bluff/Killegray Ridge, The Hammocks, Ibis Roost, Lighthouse Landing, Royal James Landing, Sabal Palm Cottages, Timbercreek, The Villas and the Harbour), contact the sub-association president. Visit www.baldheadassociation.com/about-bha and select “Dues & Taxes.” A list of sub-association contacts is on page 5.