

TREES

Power Outages

Trees and branches that fall on or grow into power lines are one of the main causes of power outages in our area. So before you plant a tree, please take into account the size it will grow as it matures — and the location of overhead lines. Every year, customers plant trees too close to existing power lines. These can become a potential hazard to public safety and reliable electric service and must be trimmed.

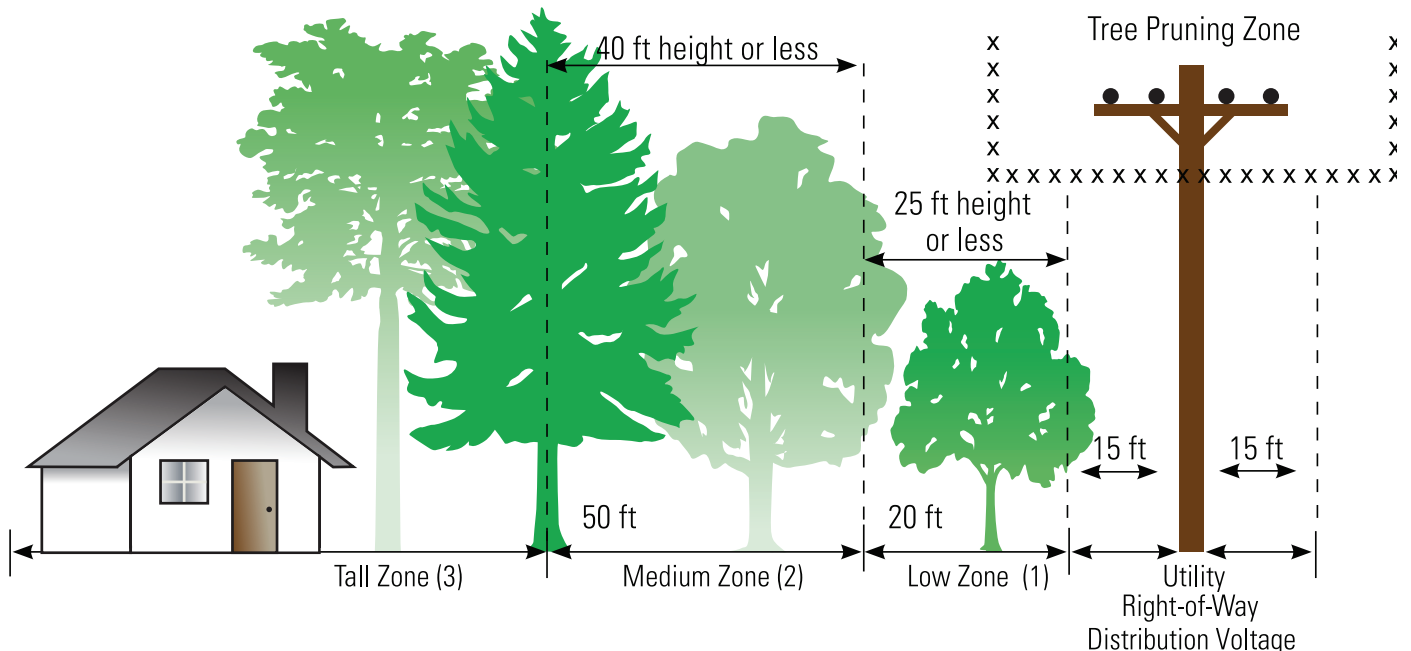
Gulf Power only trims trees near our primary lines going from pole to pole (in the right-of-way). We do not trim trees on your property from the pole to the house (called a service drop). If you need to trim the trees on your property, Gulf Power will come out and disconnect and reconnect your service for free. Call 1-800-225-5797 to set it up.

When planting, please follow these guidelines:

- Small trees (Low Zone) can be planted near power lines.
- Medium-sized trees (Medium Zone) should be planted 25 to 40 feet from power lines.
- Large trees (Tall Zone) should be planted more than 50 feet from power lines.

Safety

Tree limbs that are too close to power lines may become energized or may break and fall, bringing the power lines to the ground. If this occurs, stay away from the lines and call 911 immediately. For more information on trees that can be planted near power lines, please visit or contact your local nursery or the County Extension Service.



For all tree and vegetation concerns, please call Customer Service at 1-800-225-5797.