

Why does Dominion Energy trim trees along its lines?

Trees are an integral part of the landscape across the communities we serve. Dominion Energy's obligation and commitment to providing safe and reliable service is our top priority.

Routine safeguarding of overhead lines on a five-year cycle is critical to helping ensure a safe, resilient, and reliable electric system. Trees that have grown too close to overhead lines are both a safety hazard and the leading cause for power outages on our system, especially during storms.

At Dominion Energy, our proactive vegetation management program is key to keeping the lights on for all the customers we serve.

Our crews work year-round to safeguard our employees, the general public and our lines against hazardous and overgrown trees, brush and other forms of vegetation. They adhere to nationally recognized, arborist-approved standards.

Trees that exceed a maximum height of approximately 15 feet are not suitable for planting along distribution rights of way or near overhead lines. Mandated height requirements are more restrictive near higher-voltage lines. We continue to collaborate with municipalities and property owners to ensure the right species of tree is planted in the right place to avoid utility trimming or removal as the trees mature.

For more information on how you can help plant the right tree in the right place, visit [DominionEnergy.com/safety](https://www.dominionenergy.com/safety).