



Here's how you can help care for this newly planted tree:

- Leave the wood chip layer around the tree. Why? Wood chips help minimize weed and grass growth and reduce soil moisture loss. They also provide nutrients to the trees.
- Monitor the moisture content of the tree's root zone periodically to ensure enough water is reaching its roots. How? Check to see if the soil surface is moist beneath the wood chips.
- If you notice the grass around the tree is yellow, it means the tree and grass need to be watered. Please pour two or three pails of water slowly (so it absorbs into the soil) around the base of the tree.
- Please don't attach or hang anything on the tree – it can damage it.
- Please do not mound soil or mulch up the trunk of the tree. Doing so will affect the water and air movement and can lead to root damage.
- Please do not create planter boxes around the tree base. If you do, you'll change the grade and affect the air and water movement through the soil to the roots.
- Please refrain from using nylon cord trimmers to cut the grass around the tree trunk. Why? The broken/cut bark will cause the tree to die. If needed, you can hand pull the grass or use hand trimmers around the base.

**This tree is planted on municipal property and is protected by Richmond Hill By-law 40-07.**



## **PUBLIC NOTICE: NEW TREE CARE**

Richmond Hill will plant or has already planted a tree on the municipally owned property fronting your house (the boulevard) to create a streetscape that can be enjoyed for many years to come.

Please take some time to read this information card to learn how you can help the new tree get off to a good start.

### **Tree Species Planted:**

### **Why was this Type of Tree Planted?**

Tree species are selected for the specific site with consideration of the overall size, growing habit and long-term maintenance needs.

To learn more about how you can help care for this tree, see the back of this card.

For more information about trees or tree plantings, visit [RichmondHill.ca/Trees](http://RichmondHill.ca/Trees).

To request an inspection related to the health of a municipal tree, call 905-771-8800 or visit [RichmondHill.ca/Trees](http://RichmondHill.ca/Trees) and click on **Public Property Tree Reporting Form**.

