

# Application for trees



Does your school want to plant trees linked to environmental education? One or more of our commercial partners may be able to sponsor your trees. To see if you can provide a good home for some trees, we need to know a few things about your project. If you qualify then saplings (whips) will be delivered to your school free of charge, including canes and protection. **Please complete this form and return by email to Carbon Footprint Ltd.** We'll let you know as soon as we can if you've been successful – then all you have to do is get planting!

*Please see the notes overleaf to help you complete this application*

Name of educational establishment:

\_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Post code: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please give a brief description of the planting project:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date we intend to start planting: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of this application: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note that trees are supplied in **multiples of 10** per species. For example, you could request 10 oaks, 50 rowan and 20 beech.*

**We would like to plant these trees:**

Species:	Quantity:
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Planting the trees:**

The trees and any accessories are supplied to you completely free of charge. **In return we simply ask that you use your best endeavours to plant them correctly and with reasonable care.**

*Photographs: As an important element in Carbon Footprint Ltd's record keeping, we have made it a requirement that recipients of trees take photographs of the planted saplings or, preferably, in the process of being planted.*

We can supply photographs of the planted trees:  
**YES / NO**

*In some cases the corporate sponsor(s) may wish to visit the school during or after the planting.*

We are happy for the sponsor to contact us:  
**YES / NO**

*On behalf of the educational establishment named in this application, I undertake to plant these trees in a timely and correct manner in accordance with the plan that I have described in this application. If circumstances prevent me from doing so I will notify Carbon Footprint Ltd at the earliest opportunity.*

Signature:

Name:

Position:

Date:

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Date received:

Date approved:

Region:

Register number:

Planting number:

Return the completed application to the Carbon Footprint consultant who sent you the application, or if this cannot be done, please email to [info@carbonfootprint.com](mailto:info@carbonfootprint.com) with "Trees" in the subject line.

# Application for trees - What we need to know

Firstly, we need to be confident that the location for our trees is 'permanent'. Although we realise that you may be unable to provide an outright guarantee it is important to remember that Carbon Footprint Ltd's key aim of the programme is habitat creation, supporting biodiversity targets, carbon sequestration and social benefits. So we need to be sure that our trees will be planted where they have the best chance of reaching their full potential.

We need you to describe your project for us in simple terms. It doesn't need to be an essay, just a few lines. Things we like to know are, for example:

- Where exactly is it? Do you have an OS map reference?
- Why are trees being planted?
- Is it accessible to the public?
- Is it part of curriculum activities?
- Will it help meet local biodiversity targets?
- Are there any rare or special species locally?
- Is it a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) or similar?

We plant trees to promote biodiversity, create woodland habitats and provide social benefits to the wider community. **Please note that some of our corporate partners, who sponsor the trees, do so as part of their carbon offsetting programme. Therefore, to avoid any risk of 'double accounting' you should not consider using these trees as a means to offset your own carbon footprint.**

All our trees are **native British broad leaf species**, grown from seed in the UK. The following species are some of the trees that can be requested, depending on availability:

<i>Birch (Downy)</i>	<i>Crab Apple</i>	<i>Green Beech</i>	<i>Oak (Sessile)</i>	<i>Willow (Osier)</i>
<i>Birch (Silver)</i>	<i>Dog Rose</i>	<i>Guelder Rose</i>	<i>Rowan</i>	<i>Willow (Goat)</i>
<i>Blackthorn</i>	<i>Dogwood</i>	<i>Hawthorn</i>	<i>Small Leaved Lime</i>	<i>Willow (Grey)</i>
<i>Cherry (Bird)</i>	<i>Elder</i>	<i>Hazel</i>	<i>Spindle Bush</i>	
<i>Cherry (Wild)</i>	<i>Field Maple</i>	<i>Hornbeam</i>	<i>Whitebeam</i>	
<i>Common Alder</i>	<i>Gorse</i>	<i>Oak (English)</i>	<i>Willow (Bay)</i>	

**If there are any other species you need, please ask. The cell grown saplings are delivered free including canes and rabbit spirals. The saplings we provide are generally 40-60cm, however size is dependent on the species chosen and availability at the time.**

If you are at all uncertain about the types of trees you need we strongly advise that you get some local expert knowledge. A good place to start is with your local council who will likely have a 'tree officer' or similar, who will be able to advise you on species and locations.

It is important to consider the siting of your trees with regard to the long term. Trees are the longest living organisms on the planet and some of them grow very big! For example, planting too close to buildings can have expensive consequences. It is also worth remembering that tree roots can damage drains and other underground services. If you are in any doubt whatsoever we strongly recommend that you seek professional advice. **IMPORTANT: Carbon Footprint Ltd can accept no responsibility for losses incurred as the result of inappropriate tree planting.**

Trees are supplied in multiples of 10 per species. We cannot supply fewer than 10 of any one species.

The planting season traditionally runs from November through to April, however cell-grown saplings have higher survival rates so the planting season can be extended. You can make your application at any time. The sooner the better, we suggest. If you want to tell us more about your environmental projects, please don't be limited by this form.

## Maintenance:

You are responsible for the maintenance of the trees. We advise that you periodically check the trees during the first 2-3 years of planting, for example check that the saplings are still upright. Do not let the grass get so long that it pushes the saplings over, however please be careful when strimming near the saplings that you do not damage them. The spiral guards can be removed once there is sufficient growth and the saplings are established (generally after 3-5 years).

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