

PPL Electric Utilities Is Trimming Trees to Improve Reliability

Fallen trees and branches are the leading cause of power outages when storms strike. PPL Electric Utilities works year-round to maintain trees and other vegetation near its power lines to provide the most reliable power possible.

In the program, PPL Electric:

- Trims trees and removes hazardous trees along 28,000 miles of overhead distribution power lines across 29 counties in the state.
- Uses a pruning method known as directional pruning, which encourages trees to grow away from power lines.
- Prunes trees and other vegetation within our right of way on a cyclical basis.
- May remove trees determined to be hazardous or unhealthy.

What customers can do:

- Plant the tree in the right place. Avoid planting near any power lines.
- Call 811 at least three business days before planting a tree.
- Plant tall-growing trees at least 50 feet from power lines.
- Leave the tree pruning work near power lines to qualified professionals.
- Keep a safe distance from crews when you see them out working. Visit ppllectric.com/reliability/line-clearing for more information.