



Madison Gas and Electric Co. (MGE) will be pruning trees in your neighborhood. We prune trees near power lines for your safety, to prevent storm damage and to minimize electrical outages.

As a recognized Tree Line USA utility, MGE trains our tree service contractors to prune trees following international pruning standards. They will prune to attain approximately four years of safe clearance.

You will be notified with more specific information prior to our crew starting work on your property. If a tree needs extensive pruning, you may talk to our crew about other options such as removing the tree.

If you have any questions or special circumstances we should be aware of, such as a dog in the yard or a tree you would like removed, please contact MGE Forester and Certified Arborist Scott Nelson at 252-7186 or 1-800-245-1125.



## Tree pruning

The amount of pruning is based on the type of tree and how close the tree is to the wires. These are examples of pruning according to international pruning standards.



## Planting near power lines?

Use our new online selection guide to pick the best tree or shrub for your yard. Visit [mge.com/trees](http://mge.com/trees). We also have a printed guide called *Power Planting*. Just call 252-7222 to get a copy, or download it at [mge.com/brochures](http://mge.com/brochures).

**Small trees**  
(less than 25 feet tall)

Flowering Crabapple,  
Hawthorne, Lilac,  
Shrubs

**Medium trees**  
(up to 40 feet tall)  
Birch, Honeylocust,  
Littleleaf Linden

**Tall trees**  
(more than 40 feet tall)  
Ash, Maple, Oak

