

**Arab Electric Cooperative, Inc.**  
**P.O. Box 770**  
**Arab, AL 35016**  
**(256) 586-3196 ext. 308**  
**walker@arab-electric.org**

I, the undersigned property owner, do hereby authorize the Arab Electric Cooperative or its agent(s) to cut down designated (marked) tree(s) for power line right of way clearance. I also understand that I will be responsible for removing all debris. In order to serve our primary mission of keeping electric rates as low as feasible for all of our Members, the Arab Electric Cooperative will not remove the tree trunk, limbs or stump (including grinding stumps). Arab Electric Cooperative will not remove any part of the tree after cutting or trimming.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ AECI Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner Name \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner Email \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address \_\_\_\_\_

Current Tree Issue (circle)      Tree/limb touching line OR Tree is close to line

Property Owner Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner Signature \_\_\_\_\_

---

Arab Electric Cooperative Employee or Contractor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approved      Complete

Unapproved      Notification

## **Arab Electric Cooperative, Inc.**

### **Right of Way Procedures**

- Routine Right of Way clearing activities will be performed to accomplish a 4-year clearing cycle to maximize productivity, maximize benefits from Right of Way funding, and minimize power interruptions.
- During routine Right of Way maintenance, all trees within the Right of Way will be removed wherever possible. The right of Way width for single-phase lines is 30 feet and 40 feet for three-phase lines.
- Fifteen feet of clearance between trees and energized conductors will be maintained. In special situations, a minimum clearance of 10 feet must be obtained.
- Trees around secondary or service lines will be trimmed to provide only three feet of clearance and only during routine maintenance activities. No trimming will be done on service lines between trimming cycles unless limbs are exerting excessive pressure on the lines.
- AEC will not cut trees, healthy or dead, around service lines. AEC will have the line disconnected so that the property owner may have the tree cut.
- Trees outside of AEC's Right of Way will not be cut unless the trees are determined by AEC to be endangering primary power lines or the removal of these trees will significantly benefit the reliability of electrical power or reduce future Right of Way clearance costs.
- Property owners will be responsible for hiring qualified tree removal personnel to safely remove trees adjacent to AEC power line Right of Ways.
- Dead trees will be cut only if they pose a significant threat to primary power lines. Dead trees cut to protect power lines will be cleaned up at the discretion of the Right of Way Manager.
- Trimming requests submitted by AEC personnel and by customers will be investigated, and work will be done if it is warranted. Trees causing power interruptions will be trimmed before any other tree trimming work is performed. Trees determined not to be an immediate threat to electrical power distribution or public safety will not be trimmed until scheduled routine maintenance.
- Brush and debris from tree trimming, Right of Way clearing and/or storms will be cleaned up at the discretion of the Right of Way Manager.
- Property owners will be notified in advance whenever possible of any Right of Way clearing activities that need to be performed on their property.
- Dead brush from herbicide application will not be cut down or cleaned up.