OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES AND REGULATIONS & PRIVACY STATEMENT
**STREET TREE SURVEY**

No purchase necessary!
This contest is open to residents of York Region only (see details below).

**OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES AND REGULATIONS ("RULES AND REGULATIONS")**
**STREET TREE SURVEY (the "CONTEST")**

Please read these official Rules and Regulations and the Notice of Collection in their entirety before entering the Contest. You are not eligible to enter the Contest unless you agree to these official Rules and Regulations. Participation in the Contest constitutes full and unconditional agreement and acceptance of these official Rules and Regulations, which are final on all matters relating to the Contest.

The Regional Municipality of York ("York Region") is administrator of the Contest and its employees, elected and non-elected officials, agents, successors, volunteers and assigns shall not be held responsible for any costs, losses, damages or expenses arising by reason of accident, negligence, printing, administrative or other errors that may arise or occur in connection with the Contest. York Region reserves the right to modify, amend, suspend or terminate this Contest and these Contest Rules and Regulations, without prior notice, with no obligation or liability to any person entering the Contest.

This Contest is in no way sponsored, endorsed or administered by, or associated with, X, Instagram, Facebook or LinkedIn. All participants are providing information directly to York Region and agree to release X, Instagram, Facebook or LinkedIn from any and all liability arising in connection with the Contest.

**CONTEST DURATION**
The Contest starts on **October 28, 2026**, at 12:01 a.m. ET and ends on **November 30, 2026** at 11:59 p.m. ET (the "**Contest Period**").

**ELIGIBILITY**

No purchase is necessary to enter.

The Contest is open to all residents of York Region who are eighteen (18) years old or older at the time of entry, **except York Region employees, York Region contractors, and Regional Council members.**

To be eligible to participate in this Contest, each person entering the Contest ("**Contestant**") must:

- **Complete the Street Tree Survey**
- **Submit the Contest Entry**

Contestants must provide the following details with their submission:

- First and last name
- Email address

Incomplete entries will be voided.

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## HOW TO ENTER

During the Contest Period, a Contestant entering the Contest must: Complete and submit the Street Tree Survey which is available online at york.ca/StreetTrees and submit an entry for the draw("Entry" or "Entries")

Each time a Contestant makes a submission through the online form, whether or not the submission constitutes an Entry, the Contestant is agreeing to comply with these Official Contest Rules and Regulations. All submittals that comply with these Official Contest Rules and Regulations, as determined by York Region, constitute Entries.

Entries generated by script, macro or other automated means, and Entries by any means which subvert these Official Contest Rules and Regulations are null and void.

**All Entries become the sole property of York Region and will not be returned to Contestants. Contestants grant non-exclusive intellectual property rights to York Region to use and reproduce the Entries, including but not limited to publishing survey results and comments that are part of the Entries, as York Region in its sole and absolute discretion considers appropriate in accordance with these Official Contest Rules and Regulations. By submitting an Entry, Contestants irrevocably and unconditionally waive, in favour of York Region, all moral rights the Contestant has or may have in the Entry (including but not limited to survey results and comments that are part of the Entry).**

Entries will be screened for appropriateness. Entries that are inappropriate in nature or do not relate to the Contest will be null and void. Appropriateness of the Entries is determined at the sole and exclusive discretion of York Region. A Contestant is limited to submitting one (1) **Entry.**

York Region is not responsible for technical problems with submitting Entries. If Entries submitted cannot be viewed or any submitted Entries do not satisfy the Contest requirements, such Entries will be voided.

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All Entries become the property of York Region and none shall be returned. The Entry submitted must not infringe on copyright or other intellectual property rights.

## PRIZE DESCRIPTION

**There is one (1) prize to be won at the end of the contest:**

- **$250 grocery store gift card**

## PRIZE WINNER SELECTIONS AND NOTIFICATION

At the end of the contest period, representatives of York Region will randomly select the prize winner from the valid Entries submitted during the Contest Period.

The odds of winning depend on the number of valid Entries received.

The winner will be announced no later than **December 7, 2026** via **Facebook and Instagram.**

The Contest winner must reply within seven (7) business days and answer a skill-testing question.

The prize winner must meet the eligibility rules in order to claim the prize. York Region will notify the selected winner by **email**.

If the Contest winner does not respond to York Region within seven (7) business days of being notified that their entry was selected or they incorrectly answer the skill-testing question provided by York Region, the Contest winner will be disqualified and their entitlement to receive the prize will be declared null and void. York Region reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to select another eligible Entry as the Contest winner, in which event these provisions shall apply to such other eligible Entry.

York Region is not bound to select any Contestant as a Prize Winner.

In the event that York Region incorrectly announces a Contestant as a winner, then York Region may rescind the announcement and declare the intended winner, or no winner at all, without any liability to the Contestant who was incorrectly declared as a winner.

## CLAIMING ANY PRIZE

Within thirty (30) days of being confirmed as a qualified prize winner, the selected winner will be responsible for providing their mailing address to York Region for delivery of the gift card or confirming a mutually agreed upon time to pick up the gift card at 17250 Yonge Street in Newmarket, Ontario in order to receive their prize. The failure to provide their address or confirming a pick-up time within the thirty (30) day time period will render that person's prize void.

The winner hereby agrees to release York Region, their respective employees, elected and non-elected officials, agents, successors, volunteers, and assigns and all other entities administering the Contest from any and all liability, loss, incidental costs and expenses, damage or claims caused by, resulting from or otherwise associated with the awarding, receipt, installation, possession, and/or use or misuse of any prize, including any travel or transportation related thereto.

In the event that a prize is no longer available at the time a winner becomes eligible to claim it, then York Region may substitute the prize with one of similar average market value with no liability to the winner.

## GENERAL RULES

By participating in this Contest, Contestants agree to comply with these Official Contest Rules and Regulations and with the decisions of York Region, judges and/or any independent contest administrator which are irrevocable and shall be legally binding in all instances.

By entering this Contest and submitting your information, you agree that you have read and understand the Contest Rules and Regulations and the Notice of Collection.

By participating in this Contest, all eligible Contestants and qualified winners agree to sign a Declaration and Release Form releasing York Region its employees, Regional Council members, agents, successors and assigns, respective advertising and promotional agencies, and any independent contest administrator from any liability in connection with this Contest and/or the prizes awarded.

By participating in this Contest, all qualified winners also agree to the use of their submission information including name, address (municipality only), and Entries for publicity purposes relating exclusively to this Contest without additional compensation or notice.

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By participating in this Contest, all Contestants grant to York Region a worldwide, non-exclusive unrestricted, royalty-free, perpetual, irrevocable, assignable and sublicensable right and license to use, reproduce, modify, publish, create derivative works from, translate, license and display the submitted Entries, images (in whole or in part) and/or to incorporate it in other works in any form, media or technology now known or later developed, without the Contestant's prior approval and all Contestants further waive any copyright or moral rights that they may have in the submitted entry information, including but not limited to any submitted photo(s). In addition, by submitting an Entry in this Contest, each Contestant represents and warrants that they own and control all rights in and to the submitted Entry information, including but not limited to any submitted photo(s), and that each Contestant has the right to grant the foregoing rights to York Region. Contestants' names will not be published with any of their comments from the survey. Where survey comments are published by the Region, the Contestants' names will not be published with the comments.

This Contest, and the terms and conditions contained in these Official Contest Rules and Regulations, shall be exclusively governed by and construed in accordance with municipal bylaws, the laws of the Province of Ontario, Canada and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.

York Region reserves the right in its sole discretion to cancel or suspend any portion of this Contest for any reason whatsoever, without any liability to any Contestant for any costs such Contestant may have incurred in respect of the Contest.

York Region accepts no responsibility for any reason whatsoever, including computer system, hardware, software or program malfunctions of either the Contestants or York Region, or their respective service providers, if the Contestants are unable to submit their Entries before the closing date and time. The Contestants agree that York Region shall have no liability for delays caused by internet/network traffic, degraded operation or failure of any computer system element, including but not limited to: any computer system, power supply, telephone or data connection or system or software or browser of any type whatsoever that affects the Contest or the Contestant's participation in it.

York Region is not responsible for:

a. lost, misdirected, misplaced, illegible, unintelligible, incomplete, or late Entries and/or
b. any act, failure to act, or delay regarding the transmitting or processing of Entries.

York Region is solely entitled to interpret these Rules and Regulations as needed to make decisions on the administration of the Contest and the selection of winners, and its decision is final and binding.

## NOTICE OF COLLECTION

York Region is collecting your personal information under the authority of the *Municipal Act, 2001,* S.O. 2001, c.25, *s.* 11. Your personal information will be used as described in these Rules and Regulations, including to process your Entry and administer the **Street Tree Survey**.

Your personal information is collected, used, disclosed and retained in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.56.*

Questions about this collection of your personal information can be directed to **York Region**, **17250 Yonge Street,** Email: **ContactUs@york.ca** Phone Number: **1-877-464-9675**.