

# NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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Dear Tree Seed Network Member:

The Department of Environmental Conservation will be purchasing tree seed this fall. If you are interested in selling seed to the Department, it will be necessary for you to call Janine Greene at the Allegany office at (716) 379-6369 to have your name entered on the collectors' list. You will also be asked the number of bushels you will be supplying. A confirmation letter will be sent to you verifying your participation in the program. This is a first-come, first-served situation so call as soon as possible. We cannot accept more seed than you estimate and are allotted, unless we do not meet our quota.

The species of seed being purchased are listed below. The maturity date is the date after which the seed may be collected.

SPECIES	MATURITY DATE	DOLLARS PER BUSHEL	REGION 9 QUOTA (BUSHEL)
Black Walnut	September 15	\$ 3.00	250
Butternut	September 15	\$ 6.00	100
Hemlock	September 15	\$120.00	
Shagbark Hickory	September 15	\$ 25.00	
Black cherry	August 30	\$ 50.00	
Bur Oak	September 15	\$ 30.00	
Red Oak	September 15	\$ 20.00	
White Oak	September 15	\$ 30.00	
Sugar Maple	October 1	\$ 40.00	
Red Pine	October 1	\$ 18.00	
American Sycamore	October 15	\$ 30.00	
Eastern Red Cedar	October 15	\$120.00	

Seed must be current year's seed and viable. Cones must be current year's cones and must contain viable seed. Cones must be collected from live or freshly cut trees. They may be taken from the date they mature (see above) until they start to open. If cones have ragged edges on the scales or have a dull brown or gray color, they are probably not this year's cones.

If seeds from other trees or shrubs are found, that do not appear on this list please contact the Allegany Office to see if there is a need.

Seeds and cones should be stored in grain bags (burlap or plastic) or cardboard boxes, not garbage bags. If they will be stored for some time, the bags should not be stacked tightly or overfilled. Allow air circulation to prevent overheating, especially with the hardwood seed. The seed should be kept in a shed or garage, protected from sun and rain. Please keep stones, leaves and sticks to a minimum. If too much debris is

found with the seed and cones or if the seed is significantly damaged by insects, payment may be **reduced**, or the seed **rejected**.

You must bring your seeds to the DEC facilities located between Little Valley and Salamanca on Route 353 on **October 28, 2021**, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The facilities are on the west side of the road, approximately two miles south of Little Valley. The volume of your seed will be measured, and a payment voucher prepared at that time. You will receive payment approximately 30 days after your voucher is submitted for processing.

**DO NOT CALL THE LITTLE VALLEY DEC FACILITIES AS THEY ARE NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE PROGRAM.**

Your participation is greatly appreciated. Please feel free to expand your collection efforts or pass the word to others who might be interested in participating in the program. Please encourage any new collectors to call the Allegany Office to receive an allotment and pledge an amount for collection. Please contact Daniel Shaffer, in the Forestry Office in Allegany with questions, at (716) 379-6361.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel A. Shaffer".

Daniel Shaffer  
Forestry Technician III

Enc. **Nursery Collection Letter 2021**

**NYS DEC Col. William F. Fox Memorial Saratoga Tree Nursery  
Fruit & Cone Letter 2021**

	<b>Specie</b>	<b>Ripening Period</b>	<b>Ripe Color</b>	<b>\$/Bushel</b>
<b>Conifers</b>	White spruce ( <i>Picea glauca</i> )	Mid-late August	Pale Brown	\$22.00
	Red spruce ( <i>Picea rubens</i> )	September-October	Brown	\$30.00
	Norway spruce ( <i>Picea abies</i> )	September-November	Brown	\$6.00
	Eastern Hemlock ( <i>Tsuga canadensis</i> )	September	Purplish green-Brown	\$120.00
	White pine ( <i>Pinus strobus</i> )	August-September	Yellowish green-Light brown	\$8.00
	Red pine ( <i>Pinus resinosa</i> )	August-September	Purplish w/reddish brown scale tips-Brown	\$18.00
	Pitch pine ( <i>Pinus rigida</i> )	Late September	Lustrous brown-Light yellow brown	\$18.00
	Scotch pine ( <i>Pinus sylvestris</i> )	September-October	Tawny yellow-brown	\$8.00
	Jack pine ( <i>Pinus banksiana</i> )	Late September	Lustrous tawny yellow-Light brown	\$18.00
<b>Hardwoods</b>	Black cherry ( <i>Prunus serotina</i> )	Late August	Black	\$50.00
	Black walnut ( <i>Juglans nigra</i> )	September-October	Yellowish green	\$3.00
	Butternut ( <i>Juglans cinerea</i> )	September-October	Greenish brown	\$6.00
	Red oak ( <i>Quercus rubra</i> )	Late August-September	Tanish-Brown	\$20.00
	White oak ( <i>Quercus alba</i> )	Late August-September	Tanish-Brown	\$30.00
	Bur oak ( <i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> )	Late August-September	Tanish-Brown, Husk has receded slightly	\$30.00
	Sugar maple ( <i>Acer saccharum</i> )	September-October	Tanish-Brown	\$40.00
	American sycamore ( <i>Plantanus occidentalis</i> )	September-November	Brown	\$30.00
	<b>Small Trees &amp; Shrubs</b>	Gray dogwood ( <i>Cornus racemosa</i> )	August-October	White
Red-stem dogwood ( <i>Cornus sericea</i> )		August-October	White or Lead colored	\$50.00
Virginia rose ( <i>Rosa virginiana</i> )		August-October	Orange-Red	\$30.00
Swamp/ Wetland rose ( <i>Rosa palustris</i> )		August-October	Red	\$30.00
American Highbush cranberry ( <i>Viburnum trilobum</i> )		August-October	Orange-Scarlet	\$50.00
Nannyberry ( <i>Viburnum lentago</i> )		September-October	Dark blue-Black	\$50.00
Northern bayberry ( <i>Myrica pensylvanica</i> )		September-October	Covered with grayish white wax	\$50.00
Black chokeberry ( <i>Aronis melanocarpa</i> )		August-October	Black	\$40.00
Winterberry ( <i>Ilex verticillata</i> )		September- October	Red	\$60.00
American Plum ( <i>Prunus americana</i> )		September-November	Fuchsia with yellow	\$30.00
Eastern redcedar ( <i>Juniperus virginiana</i> )		September-November	Blue	\$120.00

Items in **red** are of high importance

1 US bushel = 8 US dry gallons