

PEPPERMINT TREE CONDITION RATING

Peppermint decline may develop quickly or may not be noticeable for years.

Symptoms of decline can include:

- Excessive leaf discolouration (yellowing or browning);
- Individual branches or branchlets flagging (dying and turning brown)
- Excessive leaf damage (from insects);
- Abnormal leaf loss;
- Abnormal bark lesions, cracking and shedding;
- Holes in bark and wood (from insects);
- Build up of wood shavings and/or soil around trunk (from ants and termites);
- Fungal growth on trunk or branches;
- Abnormal death of larger limbs and branches;
- Foliage over entire tree looks 'thinner', twiggy appearance.



1. VERY GOOD
Healthy looking leaves, trunk and branches. Full canopy, no obvious symptoms of decline.



'Flagging'

2. GOOD
Some minor loss of leaves, some dead or flagging branches. Tree is starting to look 'twiggy'

Use this index to rate the condition of your trees before and after treatment to see if condition improves.

3. FAIR
Moderate
flagging or
death of
branches
in canopy or
lower down.



**5. VERY
POOR**
Almost all
leaves/branch
es are dead
or dying.



4. POOR
Severe
flagging or
death of
branches in
canopy or
lower down.



**6. DEAD
TREE**
All leaves
and
branches are
dead.

