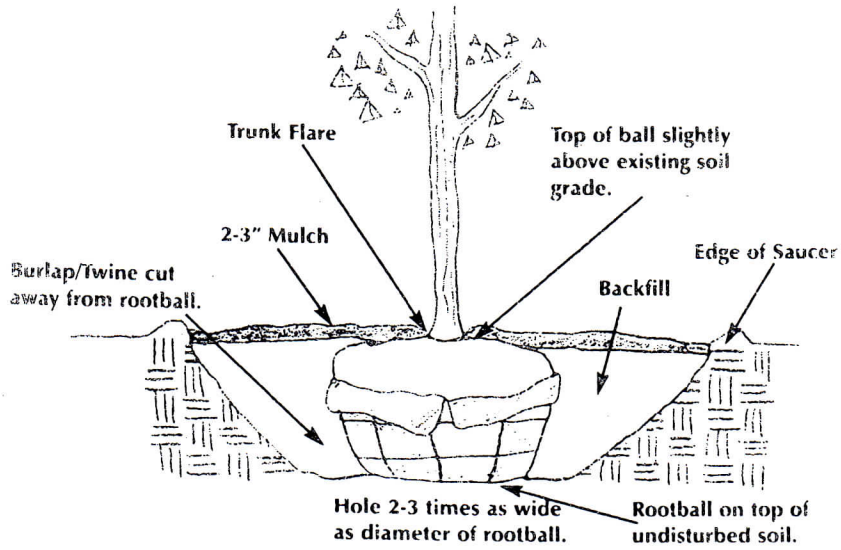


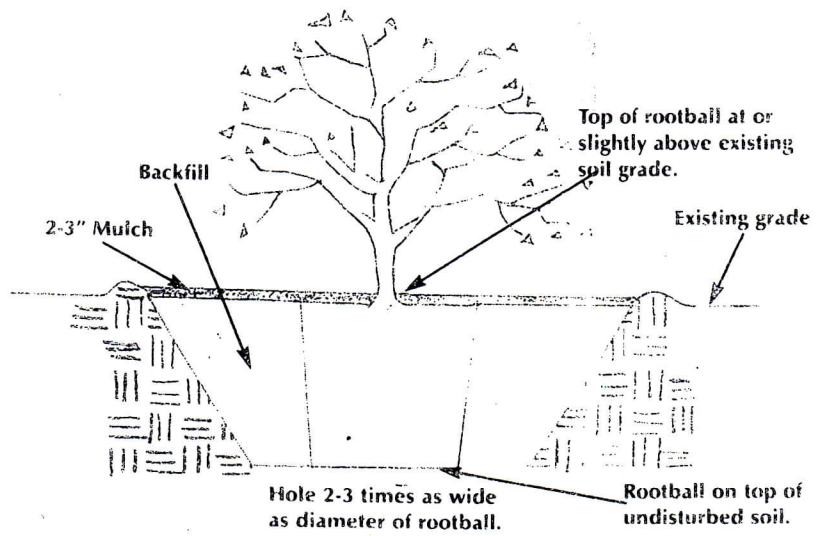
HELPFUL GUIDES

DIAGRAMS ILLUSTRATING PROPER PLANTING PROCEDURES FOR TREES AND SHRUBS

Balled and Burlapped Trees and Shrubs



Containerized Trees and Shrubs



PLANTING AND CARE INSTRUCTIONS

PLANTING CONTAINERIZED TREES AND SHRUBS

Planting - Place the plant in the hole by lifting the container. Tip the container on its side and slide the plant from the container. Where the plants have become potbound, it may be necessary to cut the container before the plant can be removed. Do not allow the root system to dry out before backfilling.

To encourage root growth into the backfill areas, loosen the root ends and the outer area of the growing medium. If the roots are tightly matted, it may be preferable to score the root mass with a knife and loosen. Backfill to approximately one-half the depth of the planting hole, flood with water and allow to drain. Complete the backfilling and water well.

Mulching - Bark mulch should be applied to a depth of 2-3", taking care to place little or no mulch at the base of the plant.

Watering - Because the growing medium used in containers has a tendency to dry out rapidly, monitoring moisture levels must assume a high priority.

Check the root mass for moisture levels frequently and water accordingly, remembering that a thorough soaking is preferable to several light waterings. When watering, make certain that the root mass receives the majority of the moisture, but do not allow the surrounding soil to dry out. Do not assume that rainfall and irrigation systems are adequately meeting moisture requirements, particularly during the first few growing seasons.

