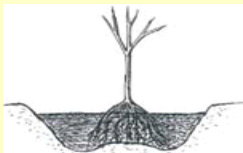


Proper Planting Procedures

- Plants must meet the current standards adopted by the American Association of Nursery Stock and be free of disease, insects and/or damage. Visit www.analog.org for more information
- While the planting hole can be wider, it should be at least twice the diameter of the root ball.
- The top of the root ball should be even with or a few inches higher than the existing grade.
- Plants should be watered thoroughly at time of planting and as needed thereafter.
- Remove all twine and the top 10" of burlap. Cut away as much of the wire basket as possible.
- Prune only dead wood from canopy at the time of planting.
- Maintain two-to-three inches of mulch around the tree ball, making sure the mulch is at least four inches from the trunk.
- Fertilization is not advised at planting.
- Stake the tree if it will not remain upright in a windy environment.



Plant Maintenance

- Soil tests should be performed to determine soil composition for optimum plant survival.
- Fertilize in spring or fall preferably following a soil test and diagnosis of the plants health.
- Wait until the second growing season to begin shaping. Removing too much foliage depletes the plant of its food-making resources.
- Routinely check plants for problems, such as disease and insect damage.
- Remove stakes after the first year of development unless necessary for stabilization.

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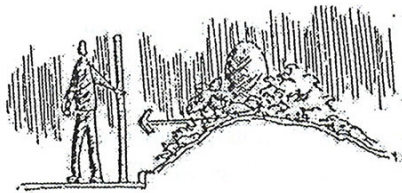
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This brochure is a guide for installing and maintaining planting the City of Dublin. City Zoning Inspectors will verify compliance with proper planting and maintenance practices to help minimize the need for replacements in the future.

Refer to Section 153.130-153.139 and appropriate appendices of the Dublin Zoning Code for more information.

Measuring Mound Height

If an earthen mound is used to fulfill a screening requirement of the Zoning Code, City Zoning Inspectors will measure the height of the mound at the elevation of the parking space closest to the mound. An inspection should be requested to confirm proper grade before planting. Grading and landscape plans should provide proper grading information



Shrub Pruning

If evergreen shrubs are used to fulfill a screening requirement of the Zoning Code, these shrubs need to be maintained as a continuous hedge rather than individual plants. Generally, these shrubs must reach a specific height within four years, such as 3 1/2 feet or six feet. Continued and improper shearing will necessitate replacement. If a continuous hedge is not maintained four years after planting, additional shrubs will be required to fill in any gaps.

Questions?

If you notice problems with your landscape plants, feel free to contact a Zoning Inspector for a landscape inspection at 410-4600.

Proper Planting Detail

