

THE PROPER WAY TO PLANT A SHRUB OR TREE

PORT REPUBLIC GREEN TEAM



GO GREEN GALLOWAY



Remove any twine, tape or tags

Carefully remove containers, wrappings, wires and ties from rootball before planting.

Loosen outside roots and unwrap any circling roots

Set base of trunk at or just above ground level.

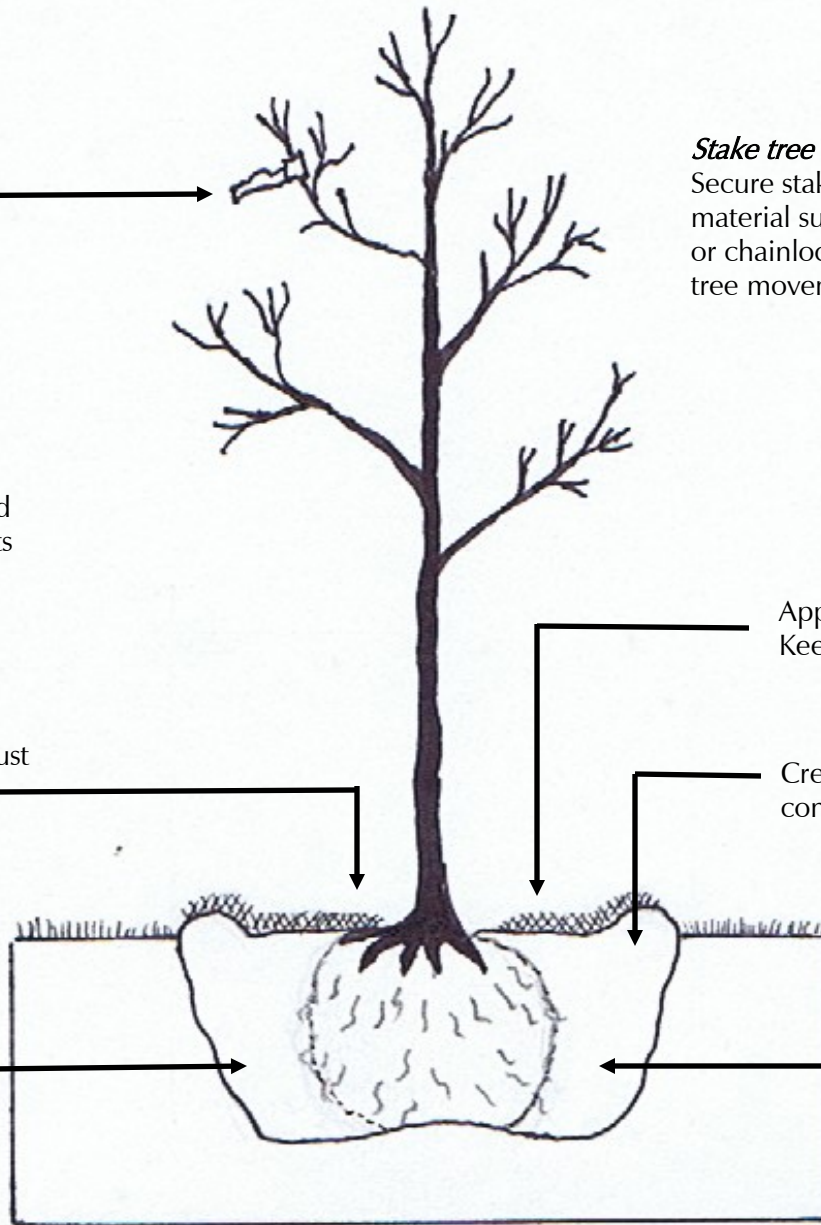
Dig a hole at least two times the rootball diameter

Stake tree only if it feels unstable. Secure stakes with wide flexible material such as webbing straps or chainlock ties. Allow for some tree movement.

Apply 3-4" layer of mulch. Keep 2-3" from tree trunk.

Create a 5-6" berm to contain water.

Backfill with existing soil from the hole. Tamp lightly as you fill in the hole.



Set the rootball on undisturbed soil to prevent settling

WATERING:

Water deeply once a week during the first two summers.