

SEEDLING PLANTING TIPS

Your seedlings are packaged with root gel and mulch. Root gel will hold moisture in the root zone during storage, planting and the first few months in the ground. There are a number of important things to keep in mind to ensure maximum survival of your seedlings.

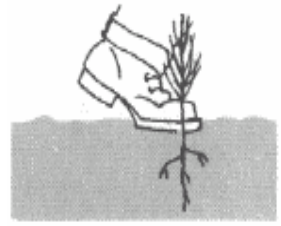
1. Seedlings should be planted as soon as possible, preferably within two days of pick-up.
2. Keep your seedlings moist and stored in a cool dark area until planting. If you choose to soak your seedlings, we do **not** recommend more than 30 minutes prior to planting. If there will be a delay of more than a few days, seedlings should be planted in a shallow trench and covered with moist soil.
3. Transport and handle seedlings carefully, avoiding root damage.



5. Plant seedlings so the crown is level with the surface of the ground, making sure that all roots are in the hole and covered. Place the roots straight down the hole in a natural arrangement. Do not bunch, spiral, double-over or bend roots.



6. Using your toe, press down on the soil around the seedling to remove air pockets.



7. Mulch or use landscaping fabric to conserve moisture, reduce competition from weeds, and minimize extreme temperatures in the root zone.

8. Consider tree shelters for hardwood trees. Tree shelters reduce moisture stress, help you locate the seedlings, and protect from mice, rabbits and deer.

9. Water your seedlings regularly, as needed.

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“Remind-Assist”- Please save and post in a visible location! SWCD Tree Order Pick-up/Distribution Schedule

April 2010						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22-23 Tree Order Distribution 9:00 a.m.– 6:00 p.m.		24 Overstock Sale 10:00a.m.– 1:00p.m.
25	26	27	28	29	30	

*Tree Pickup will be located BEHIND Building A at the Monroe Co. Soil & Water Conservation District, 1200A Scottsville Rd., Rochester, NY 14624