

Tree & Shrub Care & Maintenance

Watering

- Water 15 minutes every day for 3 days after planting then once every 10 days for the next 4-6 weeks
- Leave hose at base of tree then turn faucet on 1/4 turn so a stream the size of a pencil comes out
- Soil should form a putty-like clump in your hand, it shouldn't drip and it shouldn't crumble
- Make sure tree is watered well going into Fall and Winter
- If your house has an irrigation system installed, you don't need to water your trees more. But follow these instructions if your system doesn't cover your shrubs
- DO NOT OVERWATER, more plants die due to drowning rather than neglect

Fertilizing

- Fertilize your plant once a year with a high Nitrogen fertilizer (19-19-19)
- Do not remove mulch to fertilize, spread the granules according to product instructions on top of the mulch or rock

Pruning

- For most trees, pruning should take place in late Winter/early Spring, before buds form
- The exception are Oaks which should be pruned in late Fall to avoid Oak Wilt
- Dead, diseased or damaged branches should be removed any time of year
- Do NOT apply a pruning sealant, it is better to let cuts heal naturally
- Prune any branches that;

Are not growing up or outward

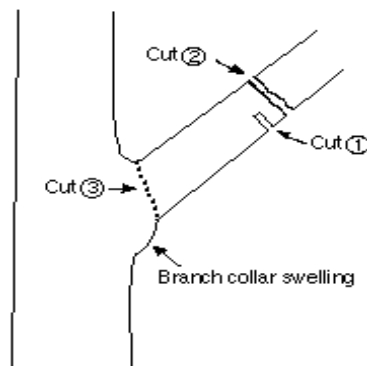
Cross or will cross

Have a narrow or weak crotch angle

Are waterspouts or suckers

Are competing with the central leader

- Make cuts a 1/4" above a bud or branch
- For larger branches use the 3-cut process to reduce bark stripping



*** All points are conditional depending on; Soil, Sunlight, Temperature, and Precipitation***

Please contact us with any further questions



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