



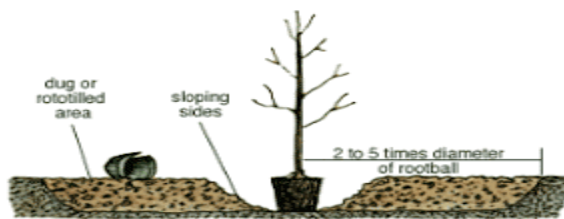
Root Production Method™ (RPM) Tree Planting Instructions

Step 1 – After unloading your RPM trees be sure to water each thoroughly and protect them from excessive heat or cold. Do not allow rootball to freeze or dry out.

Step 2 – If your trees are not to be planted for several days or weeks be sure to water the trees every 2 to 3 days (or as needed) and again immediately before planting.

Step 3 – Remove the plastic container in which the trees have been growing and the tag at the base of the tree prior to planting.

Step 4 – Do not plant trees any deeper than the level at which they were growing in the container. (See diagram below)



Step 5 – The use of a photodegradable weed barrier mat or bark mulch around your trees to prevent weed and grass competition is also highly recommended.

Step 6 – If the trees are to be planted in areas of heavy deer population a tree guard or similar protection device is a wise investment. (Also serves as rodent protection).

Step 7 – Fertilization. We recommend the yearly application of a slow release tree fertilizer applied on the soil surface evenly over the root area of each tree as directed, either in late winter or early spring.

P.S. Never hesitate to call us at (607) 844-9590 if you have any questions regarding the care, handling, planting or maintenance of you RPM trees.