Unloading Basket or Container Trees

Baskets are an excellent alternative for field dug evergreens and, as with B&B, they require care in handling.

Loading Docks- Cart trees to the rear instead of using handles if possible.

Unloading B&B Trees

Be careful when unloading B&B Trees so damage does not occur to the branches or root ball. When loading docks are available, use pallet forks, nursery jaws etc. on B&B.

Without loading docks, pull trees to the rear with a chain, rope, or straps. Wrap around the bottom of the ball or lay a chain on the trailer floor around the ball has worked well. Hooking onto the wires may cause damage to the root ball.

Remove tree at the rear of the truck using a pallet fork, nursery jaw, etc.

Remove twine from tree branches as soon as possible. Leaving the trees wrapped for too long will damage the tree.

Keep the tree in mulch in a protected area away from excessive drying and wind. Water daily.

Leaving the plastic stretch wrap on until planting will help retain moisture.



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