

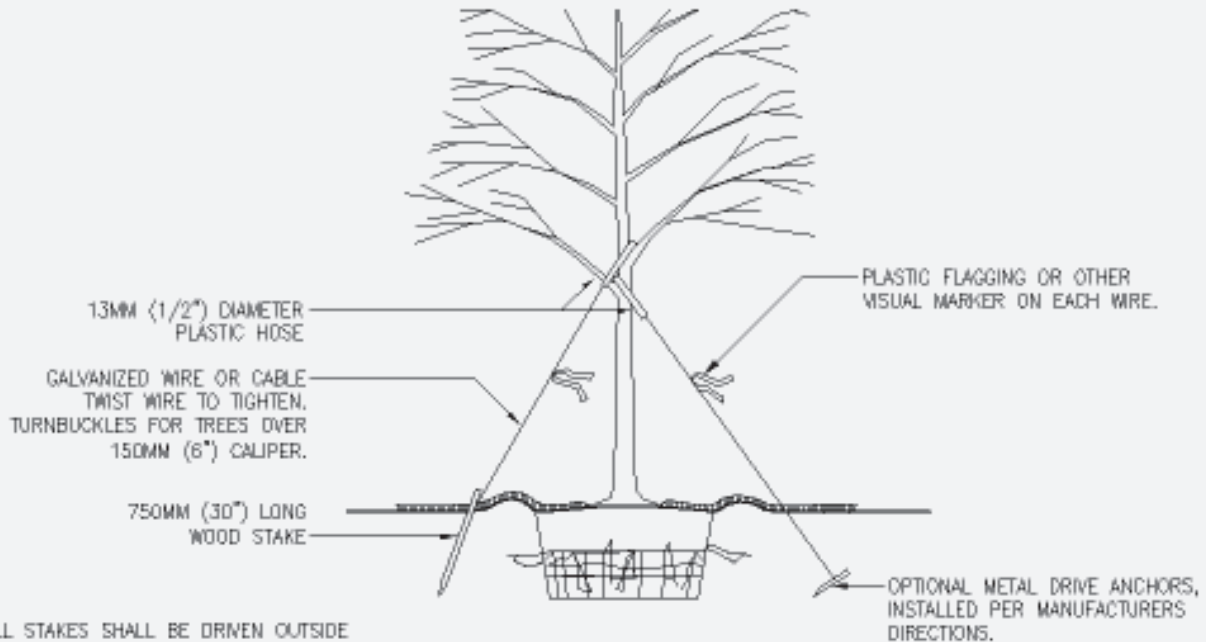
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WIRE OR CABLE SIZES SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:  
TREES UP TO 65 MM (2.5 IN.) CALIPER - 14 GAUGE  
TREES 65 MM (2.5 IN.) TO 75 MM (3 IN.) CALIPER - 12 GAUGE

TIGHTEN WIRE OR CABLE ONLY ENOUGH TO KEEP FROM SLIPPING. ALLOW FOR SOME TRUNK MOVEMENT. PLASTIC HOSE SHALL BE LONG ENOUGH TO ACCOMMODATE 35MM (1.5 IN.) OF GROWTH AND BUFFER ALL BRANCHES FROM THE WIRE.

TUCK ANY LOOSE ENDS OF THE WIRE OR CABLE INTO THE WIRE WRAP SO THAT NO SHARP WIRE ENDS ARE EXPOSED.  
INSTALL THREE GUY WIRES PER TREE, SPACED EVENLY AROUND THE TRUNK.



ALL STAKES SHALL BE DRIVEN OUTSIDE THE EDGE OF THE ROOT BALL.

ASSURE THAT THE BEARING SURFACE OF THE PROTECTIVE COVERING OF THE WIRE OR CABLE AGAINST THE TREE TRUNK IS A MINIMUM OF 12 MM (0.5 IN.).

REMOVE ALL STAKING AS SOON AS THE TREE HAS GROWN SUFFICIENT ROOTS TO OVERCOME THE PROBLEM THAT REQUIRED THE TREE TO BE STAKED. STAKES SHALL BE REMOVED NO LATER THE END OF THE FIRST GROWING SEASON AFTER PLANTING.

TREES NORMALLY DO NOT NEED TO BE STAKED AND STAKING CAN BE HARMFUL TO THE TREE. STAKING SHOULD BE DONE ONLY WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT IF IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE TREE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SUPPORT ITSELF. THE FOLLOWING ARE REASONS WHY TREES DO NOT REMAIN STRAIGHT.

- ◊ TREES WITH POOR-QUALITY ROOT BALLS OR ROOT BALLS THAT HAVE BEEN CRACKED OR DAMAGED. REJECT RATHER THAN STAKE.
- ◊ TREES THAT HAVE GROWN TOO CLOSE TOGETHER IN THE NURSERY, RESULTING IN WEAK TRUNKS. REJECT RATHER THAN STAKE.
- ◊ PLANTING PROCEDURES THAT DO NOT ADEQUATELY TAMP SOILS AROUND THE ROOT BALL. CORRECT THE PLANTING PROCEDURE.
- ◊ ROOT BALLS PLACED ON SOFT SOIL. TAMP SOILS UNDER ROOT BALL PRIOR TO PLANTING.
- ◊ ROOT BALLS WITH VERY SANDY SOIL OR VERY WET CLAY SOIL. STAKING ADVISABLE.
- ◊ TREES LOCATED IN A PLACE OF EXTREMELY WINDY CONDITIONS. STAKING ADVISABLE.

**NOTES:**

1. PLEASE REFER TO INTRODUCTION AND USE CRITERIA PRIOR TO USING THIS DETAIL.



## TREE STAKING DETAIL - TREES 75MM (3 IN.) CALIPER OR LARGER