

Strengthening our Community Tree Canopy Through Education - Module #4B Proper Installation & Maintenance of Shade Trees and Palms



Establishment Period

3-4 months per 1 inch trunk caliper

- Adequate Irrigation
- Proper Mulching
- Leaving Canopy Intact
- Loosened Soil

Water

- Irrigate in the early morning
- Group Plants with Similar Water Requirements
- Apply 1/2"-3/4" of Water to Lawns
- Calibrate Irrigation for Efficiency
- Utilize Shutoff Devices Such as Rain Sensors



Fertilize

- Keep Products on Site
- Apply When Lawn is Actively Growing
- Use Slow Release Products
- Avoid Weed and Feed
- Use Broadcast Spreader with Deflector Shield
- Use Iron to "Green-up" Lawn in Summer
- Fertilizer may not be Necessary
- Avoid Fertilizer Runoff

Pruning

Young Trees

- Larger Pruning Doses
- Results in Smaller Wounds
- Focus on Structure

Mature Trees

- Smaller Pruning Doses
- Results in Larger Wounds
- Focus on Maintenance



Scouting & Identification

- Detect Problems Early
- Use Resources Available to You
- Contact Extension Service for Help

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