

Water the seedling and keep the soil moist.

### When planting your seedling:

- Avoid planting in depressions which may result in excessive moisture;
- Avoid planting on a mound as this may cause seedlings to dry out;
- Avoid planting in shallow soil above rocks, as this will limit root growth;
- Avoid leaving air pockets around the roots as these may fill up with water; and
- Avoid bunching up the roots, keep the roots as straight as possible.

Additional tree planting tips:

[treecanada.ca/resources/tree-planting-guide/](http://treecanada.ca/resources/tree-planting-guide/)

**NOTE:** Donated seedlings are not intended for resale.



# TREE SEEDLING PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS



Newfoundland  
Labrador



Prior to planting, seedlings should be kept moist and then planted within five to seven days.



Choose a location that will allow the tree plenty of room to grow, keeping in mind what seedlings require for survival and optimal growth:

- Sun Light
- Moisture/Water
- Nutrients
- Freedom from competition
- Drainage



Always handle seedlings with care and follow these steps when planting:

- Using a small spade or planting tool, open up a hole in the ground at least twice as wide as the root plug, and only as deep as the root plug;
- Handle the seedling by the base of the stem, taking care not to bruise the bark;
- Lay the roots into the hole taking care not to bunch, spiral, or bend the roots;
- Plant seedlings in a vertical orientation on no more than a 25-degree angle;
- Place seedling deep enough so no roots are left exposed, but not so deep that you bury the live branches;
- Fill in the hole and gently compress to remove any air spaces.

