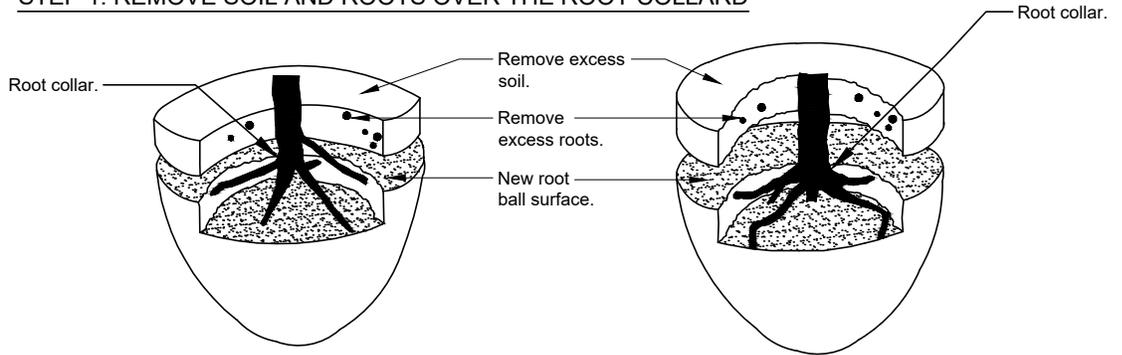


STEP 1: REMOVE SOIL AND ROOTS OVER THE ROOT COLLAR

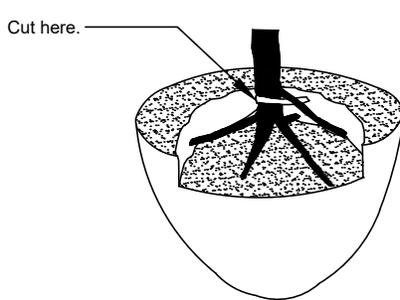
Notes:
 1- All trees shown are rejectable unless they undergo recommended correction.
 2- First step 1, then step 2. Adjust hole depth to allow for the removal of excess soil and roots over the root collar.
 3- Roots and soil may be removed during the correction process; substrate/soil shall be replaced after the correction has been completed.
 4- Trees shall pass root observations detail following correction.



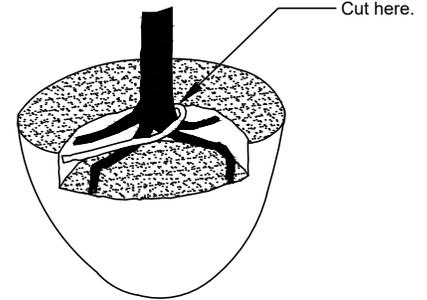
Tree planted too deeply in root ball. Remove excess soil and roots to meet root inspection detail.

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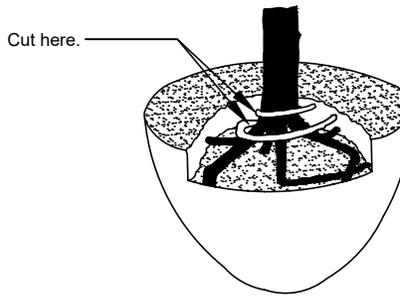
STEP 2: REMOVE DEFECTS



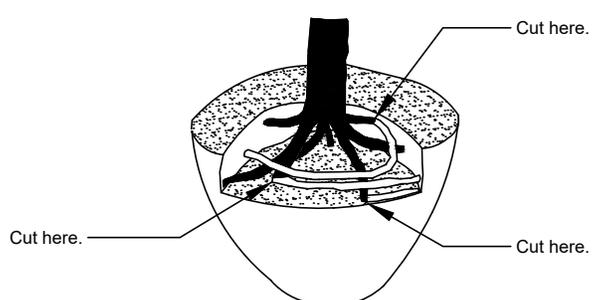
Five structural (large) roots shown in black. Remove structural (white) root wrapping root collar.



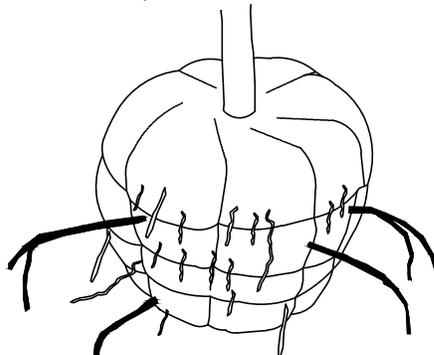
Four structural roots shown in black. Remove root (white) growing over structural roots.



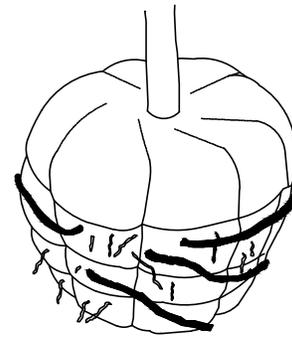
Six structural roots shown in black. Remove structural roots (white) growing over root collar by cutting them just before they make an abrupt turn.



Seven structural roots shown in black. Remove structural roots (white) growing around or over root collar by cutting them just before they make an abrupt turn.



Remove structural roots (4 shown in black) extending from root ball.



Remove structural roots (4 shown in black) deflected on root ball periphery. Small roots (1/4" or less) at the periphery of the root ball are not defined as defects and do not need to be removed.

