

# INFO BULLETIN -SITE PREPARATION, CULTIVATION AND PLANTING

- Cultivate planting site with spade or winged ripper. Free ground allows correct placement of roots, strong root development and anchorage.
- Spot spray with a suitable herbicide (before/after).
- Keep tree clear of competition for at least one year.
- Correct planting is critical. Poor root alignment may lead to toppling and/or windthrow.
- Discuss with Nursery or Forestry Consultant

### Why use winged ripper?

The preparation of your planting site by cultivation with a winged ripper will break up hard soil pans, greatly enhancing early root development and subsequent tree growth.

### Simple method for successful planting.

- Clear planting spot of all weeds (pre-spray Roundup)
- Cultivate soil to spade's depth (approx. 30cm).
- Open up large, deep hole to accept seedling roots.
- Align roots evenly at bottom of hole.
- Replace soil around tree.
- Lift tree through soil (approx. 10cm) to straighten roots.
- □ Firm soil with ball of foot while holding top of tree.
- Approximately one third of green crown of tree should remain below ground level.
- Post spray with Terbuthylazine (talk to Nursery).

### Winged Ripper Hire

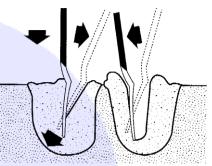
A winged ripper is available for hire from the nursery. A 50-60 horsepower tractor is sufficient to pull our winged ripper.

In order to ensure the winged ripper is available when required, forward booking is essential.

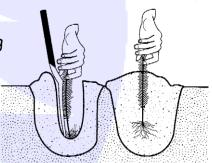
The winged ripper may be taken for full days or half days, the rental fee as per our current catalogue and price list.

## **Open ground stock**

Plant them, do not stuff them.



Open hole in well cultivated soil



Place seedling and fill

Pull up and firm

