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Plant Care Instructions:

Your new plants are an **investment** that you want around for many years to come, so providing for them in the formative years will bring you many years of joy in the future. It is your **responsibility** for the continued health and vigor of the plants.

Watering:

- **Check all plants weekly.** Check newly planted groundcover, perennials, and trees every few days for the **first month** after planting. By digging 2-3" down around the root ball of the plant should provide you with an idea of the moisture in the soil. If the soil is moist to touch do not water, if the soil is dry to touch a **good long soaking** is better than short, quick watering. Place a hose at the base of the plant and allow the water to slowly run over the root ball (5 minutes for smaller plants, 30 minutes for larger trees).
- Maintain a **2-1/2 to 3"** mulch layer around the tree to help conserve ground moisture, prevent weeds & retain moisture. Excessive amounts of mulch (over 3") or mulch directly on the plant trunk will result in poor circulation & reduce plant vigor.
- Be patient and remember that a plant takes **2-3 years** to become established so make sure you keep a constant monitor on the soil for this period of time.

Tips for checking an unhealthy looking tree:

- Check the soil by inserting a plain wooden stick in the soil next to the root ball for 24 hours. When you pull the stick back out of the ground the moisture on the stick will indicate how deeply your tree is being watered, and make adjustments accordingly.
- Scratch the tree bark. If you see green, it is still alive. If you do not see green try breaking a small branch, if the branch bends the tree is still healthy, if it snaps there may be a problem. Trim away any dead branches to provide room for new ones to grow.
- All trees that are planted by **Greenleaf Landscaping** are fertilized at the time of planting and should need no fertilizing for one year, after that use a balanced 10-10-10 plant food and follow the **instructions** on the label.

Your new plants have a **two year warranty** from the original installation date provided they are planted and maintained correctly. A full warranty disclosure is available by downloading...

Hopefully, these tips will enable you to minimize time and expense in caring for you new landscape. **Remember to call us if you have any questions regarding the ongoing care of your planting.**