

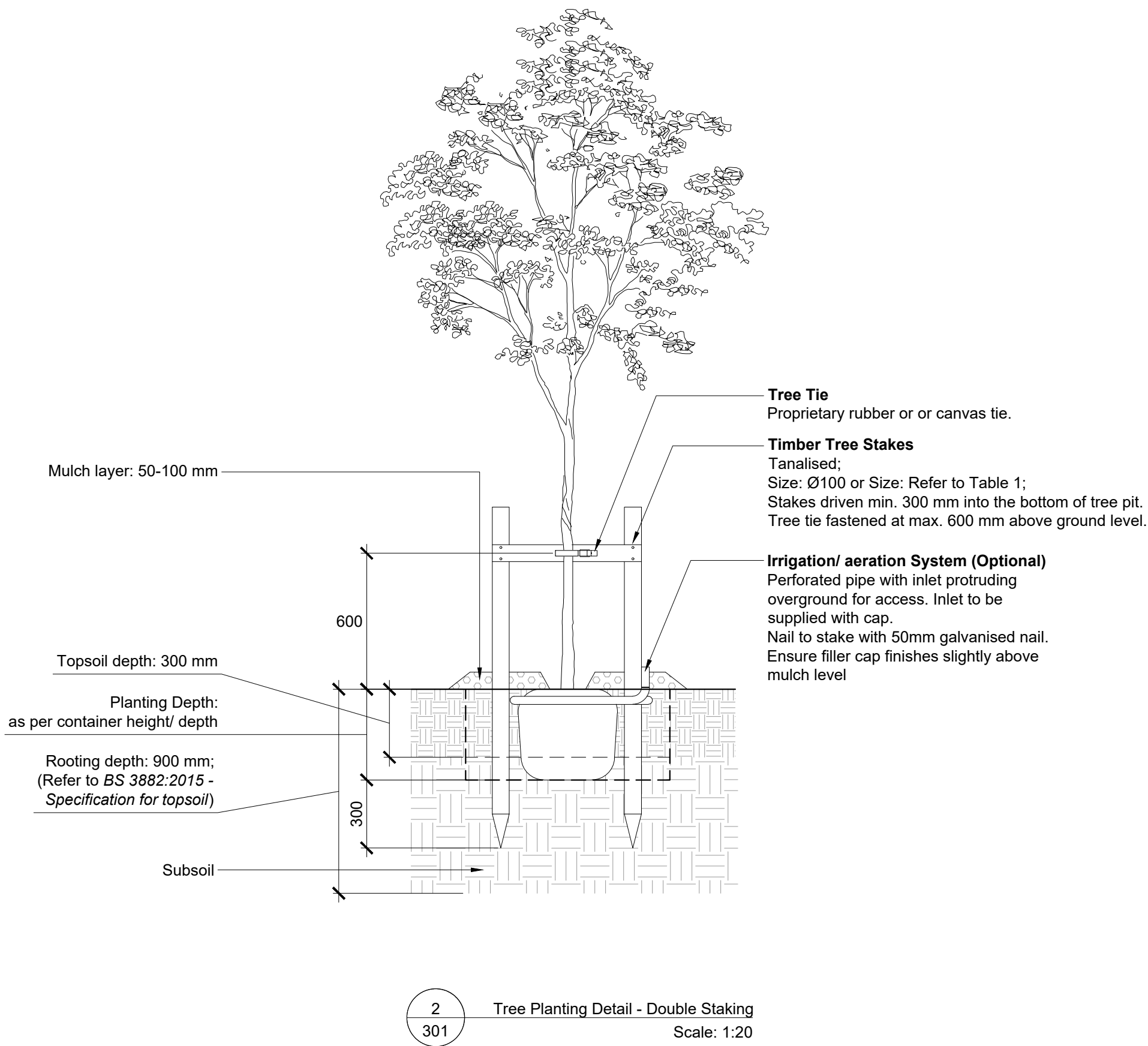


Table 1. Tree Staking Details

Staking	Light Feather	Standard Feather	Selected Standard	Heavy Standard	Extra Heavy Standard	Semi-mature (and above)
Number of stakes (per tree)	1	1	1	1-2	1-2	2
Minimum diameter	75 mm	75 mm	75 mm	100 mm	100 mm	125 mm
Overall height	1.0 m	1.2 m	1.2 m	1.5 m	1.5 m	2.0 m
Fixing above ground	0.3 m	0.3 m	0.5 m	0.5 m	0.5 m	0.5 m

Tree Pit Detail in Soft Landscape

Ardingly Phase 2 - Earthingleigh, College Road, Ardingly, Haywards Heath

Proposed - Tree Planting Specification:

Specimen Tree Planting in Proposed Soft Landscape Areas

Planting pits should be excavated to the same depth as the trees root system with the root flare / root collar to be level with the surface of the surrounding soil.

The planting pit shall have a slightly raised centre and be broken up to a depth of 150 mm.

The width of the tree pit should be excavated to be 150 - 300 mm larger than the root ball or container.

If the tree pit sides are compacted, smooth or smeared, they should be scarified to loosen the soil. The trees root system should be lightly wetted prior to planting.

The tree should be planted at the correct depth ensuring the root flare is just visible above the soil level and that there has been allowance for any settling of soil levels. Backfilling should be added gradually in layers of 150mm ensuring the tree is held upright. Topsoil should not be used below the depth of the original topsoil layer.

Each layer should be firmed down to remove air pockets within the soil and to aid tree stability but not to excessively compact the soil.

The final layer of backfilling should not be consolidated, but should be of a sufficient depth to allow for settlement and mulching. Refer to BS 8545:2014 - 'Trees: from nursery to independence in the landscape - Recommendations' for details on tree planting'.

Tree Staking / Guying

All newly planted trees to be staked until established.

- Light, Standard and Selected Standard Trees to be single staked;
- Heavy and Extra Heavy Standard Trees to be long double staked;
- Multistem and Feathered Trees to be short triple staked.
- Underground guying: Three point anchoring system to be used. Root ball to be secured with straps, to hold the tree in secure upright position.

Stakes shall extend above ground level to a maximum 600mm for long stakes, and 300 mm for short stakes.

Stakes to be driven vertically to a minimum of 300mm into bottom of pit before planting.

Backfilling should seek to consolidate material around stakes.

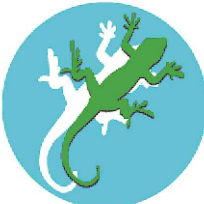
The tree shall be tied firmly but not rigidly to the stakes with adjustable ties, ties secured in place with a 25 mm long galvanised clout nail.

Trees to be planted in accordance with BS 8545:2014 'Trees: From nursery to independence in the landscape - Recommendations'

All soft landscape works to be carried out in accordance with BS 4428:1989 'Code of practice for general landscape operations'.

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