



IRRIGATION

Successful establishment needs a reliable supply of moisture. This can either be done manually through a simple arrangement using a coil of perforated 80 mm. land drain brought to the surface via a T piece. Or, with a pressure regulated dripper line if the planting layout, budget and site suits this better.

Use Netafim 2.3 lph drippers on 30 cm spacings.

The position of the irrigation pipe is important. It must be fitted close to the edge of the rootball exactly where the new roots emerge. Often it's placed too far into the surrounding soil and allows the rootball to dry out. This leads to shrinkage of the rootball which then loses contact with the surrounding ground and a rapid spiral of decline begins.



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