



ROOT BARRIERS

If possible avoid using ROOT BARRIERS at all.

Trees are dependent on accessing moisture from surrounding ground and all root barriers impede the movement of water, both in and out of tree pits. By isolating the tree pit, a dry pit becomes drier as the tree quickly uses up the available moisture whilst a pit prone to waterlogging is more likely to stay saturated. Where services run close to tree pits place a barrier along the adjacent side only. Never wrap a tree pit in root barrier.

Modern extruded services ducting is completely unaffected by root systems. Tree roots found wrapped around water mains are following the condensation that forms on the outside caused by the movement of cold water in the pipe, not through any ability to detect water.



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