

Wind

Wind injury is usually obvious and not difficult to diagnose. Plant branches or the trunk can be broken by the wind, trees can be uprooted and forked trees can be split.

Cut back the stubs of broken branches to just outside the shoulder ring. Split trees can be put back together with a combination of threaded steel rods and cables, but the results may not justify the expense.

A large uprooted tree should be removed, but you may be able to save smaller trees. You need to replant the exposed roots as soon as possible. Sometimes the roots are not exposed but the root zone is lifted up when the tree's roots are pulled upward. In either case, guy the tree for support and then water to settle the soil back around the roots. Some dieback may occur. The extent will depend on the amount of root injury the tree suffered.