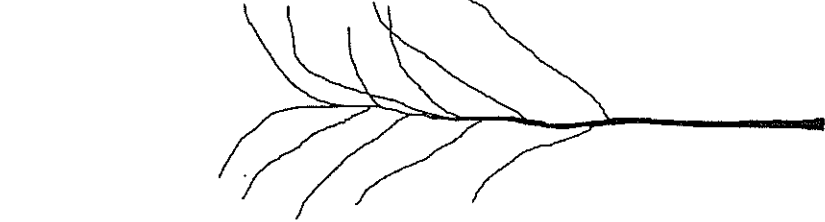



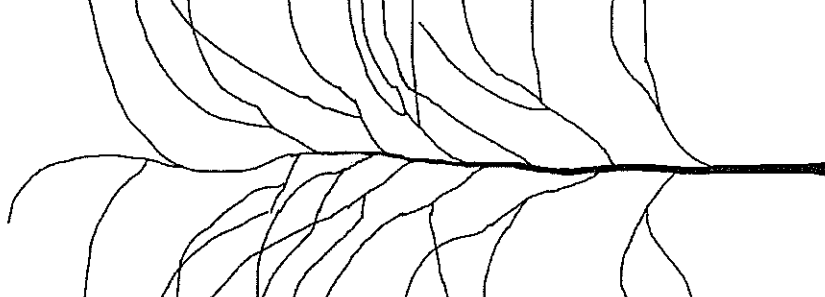
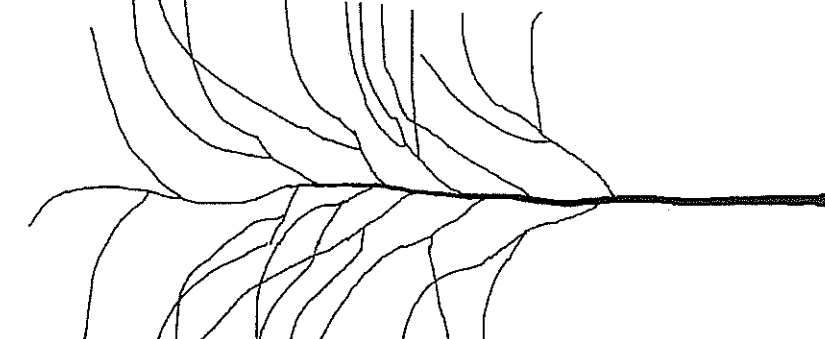


Pruning Guide for Branched Grades of Elm Cultivars

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<p>Branched tree as received</p>	<p>Pruned and topped at planting</p>	<p>After first growing season</p>	<p>Pruned and topped in spring of 2nd season</p>	<p>After 2nd growing season</p>	<p>Pruned and topped in spring of 3rd growing season</p>
					
<p>Prune out any strongly upright branches with narrow crotch angles. Top about 20" above highest branch. Tape up new leader. Prune branches to a pyramid, 12" to 20" long.</p>	<p>Summer shear if needed to keep from getting floppy. Maintain central leader! Allow branches on lower trunk to grow, they build caliper.</p>	<p>Prune back all branches hard, to a pyramid shape, 12" to 28" long. Top leader 20" above highest branch. Tape up new leader.</p>	<p>Summer shear if needed to keep from getting floppy. Maintain central leader! Allow branches on lower trunk to grow, they build caliper.</p>	<p>Limb up to selling height. Prune more lightly now, to establish desired shape. Maintain leader. Continue with summer shearing only if needed.</p>	