

Method for creating trap tree for monitoring the emerald ash borer *Agrilus planipennis* Fairmaire, according to which, in the spring, before sap flow begins, the circumference of the ash tree trunk is measured at a height of 1.2–1.5 m above the ground, and 40 cm is added to this measurement to allow for twisting. On a trunk with thick bark, a narrow groove is formed along the intended line using a cordless saw to accommodate the wire. The first ring of metal wire 4.0–6.0 mm thick is applied on the trunk bark along the prepared line: two ends of the wire at the start of the line are crosswise applied to each other, forming an opening into which a metal pin with a diameter of 1 cm is inserted. After wrapping the wire around the trunk, the two ends of the wire on opposite sides are slowly twisted together. The wire is tightened by using the metal pin to twist the two ends of the wire alternately from each side until the bark is compressed. The ends of the wire are pressed against the trunk and covered with protective film. Similarly, a second metal wire ring is installed 30–40 cm above the first one.