Chalara in the UK
A photo id guide to symptoms in young trees

These pictures were taken by The Tree Council on December 18th 2012 and June 9th 2013 in a woodland in east Kent. We have annotated them to show various stages of the disease in young trees.

For more details on Chalara see the Forestry Commission Website www.forestry.gov.uk/chalara. If you believe you have spotted ash dieback in your area, please report it using the Forestry Commission's online form www.forestry.gov.uk/website/treedisease.nsf/TreeDiseaseReportWeb

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Leaves can emerge deformed and shrivelled

Healthy leaves begin to shrivel

Leaves blacken and hang from stem for remainder of summer

As the leaves die the canopy becomes thin

Then branches lose all their leaves and die

Dying trees can have some live branches

Dead wood is orangey brown healthy wood is green

Dead trees are obvious