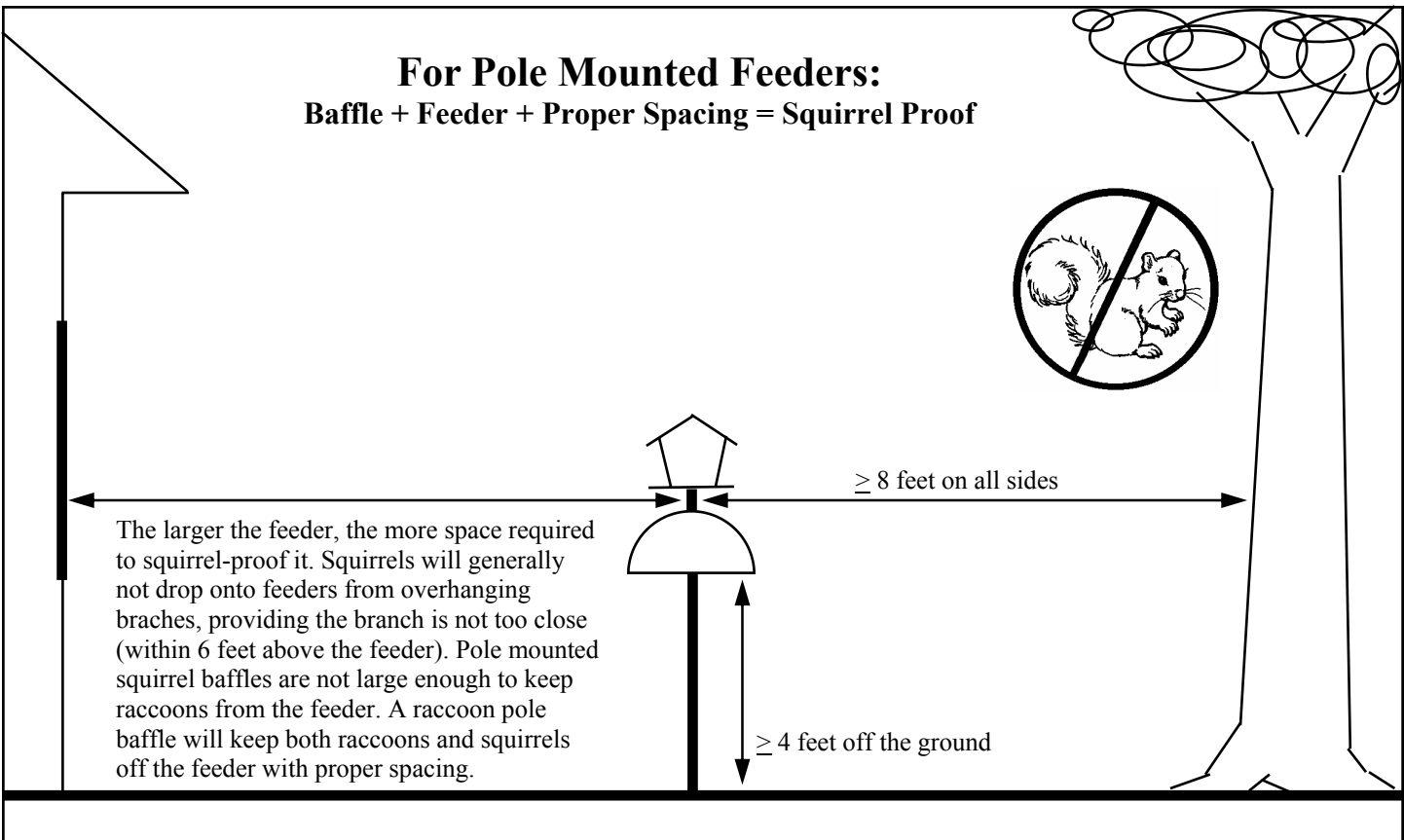
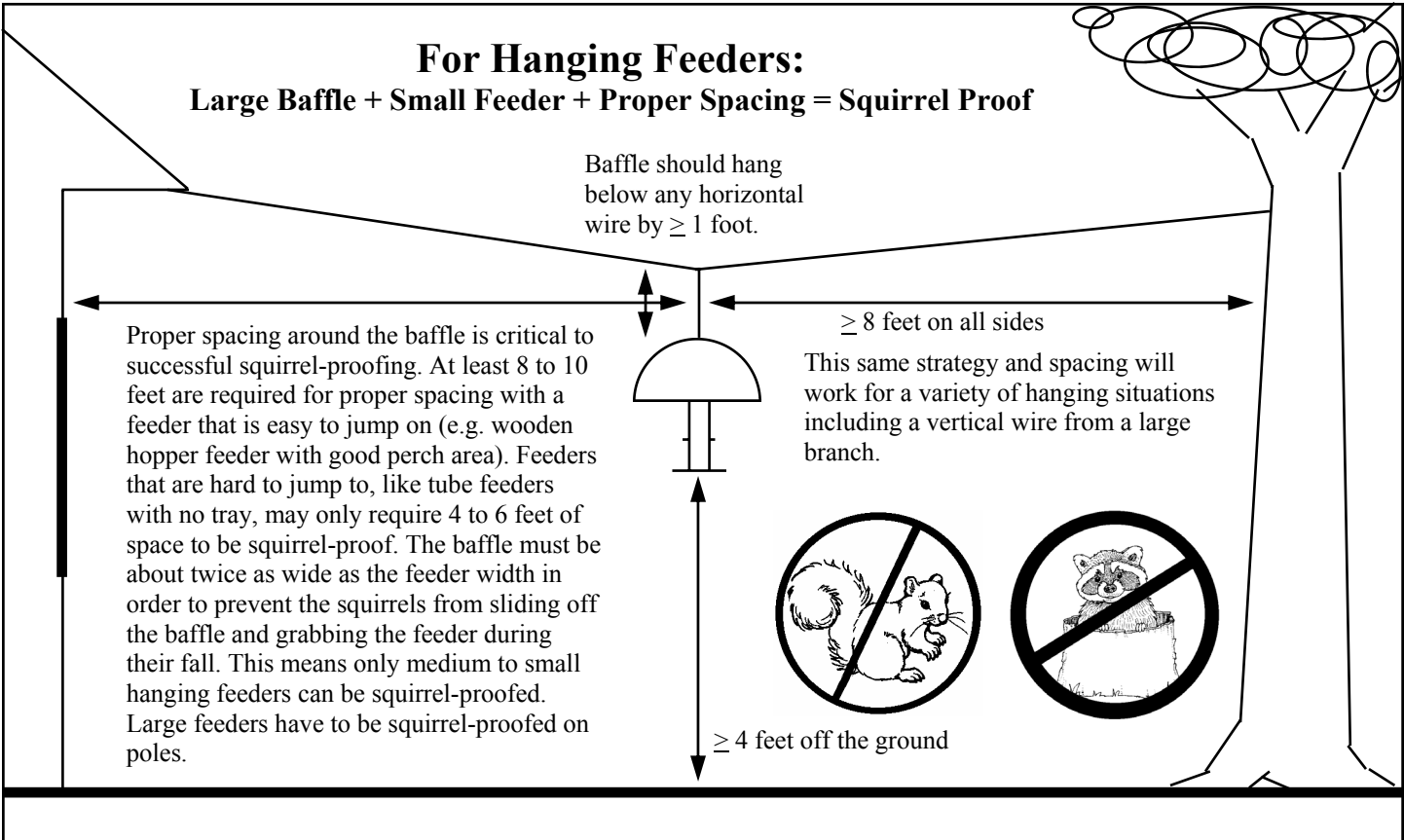


# Squirrel-Proofing Basics

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# Raccoon-Proofing Basics

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## For Hanging Feeders: Feeder + Proper Spacing = Raccoon Proof

Raccoons are great climbers, but they can't walk thin horizontal wires or chains. You just need to get the feeder out of reach from the tree, house, or ground etc. Hanging a feeder on a vertical wire from a tree branch or house will generally not work because the raccoon will simply pull the feeder up. You may also want to put your feeder on a snap link so the raccoons cannot detach your feeder.

$\geq 3$  feet on all sides

$\geq 4$  feet off the ground



## For Pole Mounted Feeders: Raccoon Baffle + Feeder + Proper Spacing = Raccoon Proof

Pole raccoon baffles are long cylindrical cans which must be mounted with the top of the baffle 4 feet off the ground. These baffles will also keep squirrels off if you have proper squirrel spacing around the feeder. Raccoons will not generally jump to a feeder so far less spacing is required compared to squirrel proofing.

$\geq 3$  feet on all sides

$\geq 4$  feet off the ground

