

SPECIFICATION FOR TURFING

1.0 GENERAL

- 1.1 Prior to turfing an approved pre-turfing fertilizer with N : P : K of 10 : 15 : 10 shall be worked into the top 50mm of soil.
- 1.2 Turfs shall be square in shape, 300mm x 300mm, with minimum 25mm thick topsoil, cultivated grass content shall be minimum 85%, free from wild or annual grasses, creeping stoloniferous perennial weeds, and shall be obtained from an approved source. Suitable turf which before stripping is available on site shall be used wherever possible.
- 1.3 Turf shall be delivered to Site within 36 hours after removal from the nursery and when stored, turfs shall be stacked grass to grass to a maximum height of 1.0m. Turf stored on Site for a period of more than 48 hours shall not be used without the approval of the Engineer.
- 1.4 The prepared areas where indicated on the Drawings as "closed turfing" shall be turfed with turfs laid to a well bonded pattern with no gaps between the turfs and lightly beaten. Alternatively the prepared areas where indicated on the Drawings as "spot turfing" shall be turfed with turfs set at 500mm apart. The turfs in alternating lines shall be staggered to give a diamond pattern.
- 1.5 On slopes exceeding 1V:4H (Gradient 14^o), each turf shall be secured with a wooden peg at least 230mm long driven into the prepared topsoil bed flush with the top of the turf.
- 1.6 During the contract period, the Contractor shall mow with cutting blades set 40mm above ground, those areas which have been turfed. The first and subsequent mowings shall be carried out when the grass has reached 75 – 100mm high or at a time to be agreed with the Engineer and the grassed areas shall be cleared of all grass cuttings.

2.0 MAINTENANCE DURING LIABILITY PERIOD (12 MONTHS)

- 2.1 The Contractor is to ensure the full establishment of ground cover by taking the necessary maintenance procedures such as regular watering, fertilising, and returfing of failed areas. The Contractor shall guarantee the success of the turfing work. Any dead grass or bare spots larger than 35mm diameter shall be immediately replaced or resprayed at contractors' own expense.

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