

THE TOP OF THE ROOT BALL SHALL BE 2 INCH ABOVE THE NORMAL GROUND LINE IN AVERAGE SOILS, 3 INCHES IN HEAVY CLAY SOILS AND 6 INCHES WHERE IMPERMEABILITY IS ENCOUNTERED.

ON SLOPES WHERE HEAVY CLAY AND IMPERMEABLE SOILS ARE PRESENT THE DOWN HILL SIDE OF THE POCKET HOLE SHALL BE BROKEN OR LOOSENED AND RETURNED TO ITS NATURAL GRADE TO PROVIDE DRAINAGE FOR THE

PLANTING HOLE AND BED PREPARATION

PACKET

AFTER THE LAYOUT IS APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER, SHRUB BEDS SHALL BE CULTIVATED TO A MINIMUM DEPTH OF SIX (6) INCHES BY A PLOW, HARROW OR DISC, OR OTHER METHOD APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER. THE CULTIVATION SHALL TAKE PLACE AS FAR IN ADVANCE OF THE PLANTING OPERATION AS POSSIBLE. WHERE SHRUBS ARE SHOWN, INDI-VIDUAL HOLES SHALL BE DUG ON CENTERS AS SHOWN ON THE PLANS. THESE HOLES SHALL ALLOW FOR A MINIMUM OF NINE (9) INCHES OF BACKFILL MIXTURE AROUND THE SIDES OF THE BALLS. THE BOTTOM OF THE HOLE SHALL BE NO DEEPER THAN THE BALL TO BE PLANTED. THE MATERIAL REMOVED FROM THE HOLES SHALL BE TAKEN FROM THE PROJECT IF IT IS FOUND TO BE UNACCEPTABLE FOR USE AS BACKFILL AS DETERMINED BY THE ENGINEER. THE PLANT SHALL THEN BE SET AND THE HOLE FILLED WITH BACKFILL MIXTURE, AND THE PLANTING OPERATION PERFORMED AS SPECIFIED IN ITEMS 662.17 AND 662.18. ALL EXCESS DIRT SHALL BE REMOVED FROM THE SITE.

EXISTING TREES AND SHRUBS SHALL TAKE PRIORITY OVER PROPOSED PLANTINGS. THE LOCATIONS OF THE PROPOSED TREES AND SHRUBS ARE APPROXIMATE AND MAY BE REARRANGED AT THE DIRECTION OF THE ENGINEER WHEN OBSTRUCTIONS ARE ENCOUNTERED.

IF AN AUGER IS USED IN DIGGING POCKET HOLES AND POLISHED (SHINY) SIDES OCCUR IN CLAY OR HEAVY SOILS, THE USE OF SUCH AN AUGER SHALL BE DISCONTINUED AND THE HOLES SHALL BE DUG WITH A BACKHOE OR ANOTHER APPROVED METHOD.

BACKFILL NO. 1 - THE BACKFILL MIXTURE USED TO FILL POCKET HOLES IN LIGHT AND MEDILIM SOILS (SAND & AVERAGE) SHALL CONSIST BY VOLUME OF 2 PARTS * SOIL CONDITIONER. 2 PARTS COMPRESSED SPHAGNUM PEAT OR 3 PARTS SEDGE PEAT, AND 2 PARTS APPROVED TOPSOIL.

BACKFILL NO. 2 - THE BACKFILL MIXTURE USED TO FILL POCKET HOLES IN HEAVY SOILS (CLAY & SHALE) SHALL CONSIST BY VOLUME OF 1 PART * SOIL CONDITIONER, 1 PART COMPRESSED SPHAGNUM PEAT OR 2 PARTS SEDGE PEAT, AND 2 PARTS APPROVED TOPSOIL.

INCORPORATE THOROUGHLY INTO THE BACKFILL MIXTURES 5 LBS. OF COMMERCIAL FERTIL-IZER (0-20-20) PER CUBIC YARD. THE ENGINEER, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT, SHALL DETERMINE THE LOCATIONS WHERE THE BACKFILL MIXTURES SHALL BE USED.

SCHEDULING

ALL DIGGING AND PLANTING OF DECIDUOUS PLANTS SHALL BE DONE AFTER OCTOBER 1, AND BEFORE JUNE 1. EVERGREENS SHALL BE DUG AND PLANTED AFTER MARCH 15, AND BEFORE JUNE 1.

FOUR OUNCE (8 YEAR) COMMERCIAL FERTILIZER PACKETS USED IN PLANTING OPERATION SHALL BE DELIVERED DRY IN ORIGINAL, UNOPENED CONTAINERS. FERTILIZER ANALYSIS SHALL BE 16% NITROGEN, 8% PHOSPHORIC ACID AND 16% POTASH. FERTILIZER SHALL BE OF A SLOW RELEASE TYPE IN A POLYETHYLENE PERFORATED PACKET WITH MICROPORE HOLES.

THE PACKETS SHALL BE PLACED 6 TO 8 INCHES DEEP AND EVENLY SPACED AROUND THE PERIMETER OF THE PLANTING HOLE, ADJACENT TO THE BALL OR ROOT MASS BUT NOT IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH THE ROOTS. THE PACKETS SHALL NOT BE CUT, RIPPED OR DAMAGED.

EACH SHRUB OR TREE SHALL BE FERTILIZED ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

SHRUBS	1'-2'		2	PACKETS
SHRUBS	2'-3'		2	PACKETS
SHRUBS	3'-4'		3	PACKETS
TREES	5'-6'		3	PACKETS
TREES	6.'-8'		4	PACKETS
TREES	12"-2"	CAL.	2	PACKETS
TREES	2'-23"	CAL.	3	PACKETS
TREES	23-3"	CAL.	4	PACKETS
TREES	3"-32"	CAL.	5	PACKETS
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IF IT BECOMES NECESSARY TO REMOVE AND REPLACE MISSING, DEAD OR UNHEALTHY PLANTS, ALL OLD PACKETS SHALL BE REPLACED WITH NEW PACKETS.

THE FOUR OUNCE 16-8-16 FERTILIZER PACKETS SHALL BE DESIGNATED BY THE MANUFACTURER TO BE EFFECTIVE FOR EIGHT YEARS. PACKETS SUCH AS "EEESY GROW", "THE UNIQUE FEEDER" OR AN APPROVED EQUAL SHALL BE USED.

ITEM 661.21 WATERING

WATER SHALL BE FURNISHED BY THE CONTRACTOR AND ALL PLANT MATERIAL SHALL BE WATERED THOROUGHLY AT THE TIME OF PLANTING REGARDLESS OF AMPLE MOISTURE CONTENT OF THE SURROUNDING SOIL. SUSPENSION OF WATERING OPERATIONS BECAUSE OF RAINFALL WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE ENGINEER IN CONSULTATION WITH THE LANOSCAPE ARCHITECT. AN AVERAGE OF ONE INCH OF RAINFALL PER WEEK SHALL BE CONSIDERED ADEQUATE. DETERMINATION OF RAINFALL SHALL BE BASED UPON THE USE OF A RAIN GAUGE APPROVED BY THE PROJECT ENGINEER.

MULCH

MULCH SHALL BE AS PER ITEM 661.04 WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS: WOOD SHAVINGS OR PEAT MOSS OR CORN COBS SHALL NOT BE USED AS A TOP MULCH. WOOD CHIPS SHALL BE AGED (STOCKPILED) AT LEAST 6 MONTHS PRIOR TO PLACEMENT AROUND PLANTS. MULCH SHALL BE SIX INCHES LOOSE MEASUREMENT. AFTER MULCHING, COMMERCIAL FERTILIZER (12-12-12) SHALL BE APPLIED AS SPECIFIED IN ITEM 662.18.

PRUNING

ALL PLANTS SHALL BE PRUNED WITHIN SEVEN DAYS AFTER PLANTING. THE PRUNING SHALL BE DONE ACCORDING TO SELECTED TYPICAL PLANTS OF EACH SPECIES PRUNED AND USED AS A SAMPLE AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

ANY CANDLE GROWTH ON NEEDLE EVERGREENS WHICH EXCEED 3 INCHES AT PLANTING TIME SHALL BE CUT BACK TO THAT LENGTH IMMEDIATELY.

STORAGE AREAS

PLANT

THE CONTRACTOR MAY STORE, MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT 30 FEET FROM PRVEMENT, BEHIND GUARDRAIL AND WITHIN OR ADJACENT TO THE PROJECT LIMITS BY OBTAINING OFFICAL PERMISSION OF THE ENGINEER. NO PEDESTRIAN OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC MAY BE IMPEDED NOR HAZARDOUS CONDITION CREATED AS A RESULT OF SUCH STORAGE.

THE STORAGE OF ALL DUG PLANTS SHALL CONFORM TO 661.14 WHETHER WITHIN THE PROJECT LIMITS, ADJACENT THERETO, OR AT SOME OTHER LOCATION. THESE AREAS SHALL BE DESIGNATED PRIOR TO ACTUAL PLANT STORAGE AND SHALL BE OPEN TO INSPECTION UPON REQUEST OF THE ENGINEER.

STAKING MATERIALS

ALL TREES SHALL BE STAKED AS SHOWN IN THE STANDARD DRAWING LA-2. STAKING OF SMALL ORNAMENTAL TREES SHALL BE SIMILAR TO THAT OF EVERGREENS. ALL DECIDUOUS TREE TRUNKS ARE TO BE TREATED WITH LINDANE SPRAY BEFORE WRAPPING.

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PLANTING PERIOD OF ESTABLISHMENT

BEFORE FINAL INSPECTION, ALL PLANTINGS SHALL BE IN PLACE AND UNDER THE CARE OF THE CONTRACTOR FOR A PERIOD OF ESTABLISHMENT. THIS PERIOD SHALL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY UPON COMPLETION OF THE PLANTING OPERATION FOR ANY PLANT OR SPECIES GROUP AND CONTINUE UNTIL OCTOBER 1. IN NO CASE SHALL IT BE LESS THAN ONE GROWING SEASON, JUNE 1 TO OCTOBER 1.

DURING THIS PERIOD OF ESTABLISHMENT. IT SHALL BE THE CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO FOLLOW SUCH HORTICULTURAL PRACTICES AS REQUIRED TO ASSURE THE VIGOR AND GROWTH OF THE TRANSPLANTED MATERIAL. THIS CARE SHALL INCLUDE WATERING. REMULCHING, RESTAKING, GLYING AND CULTIVATING. THERE SHALL BE A MINIMUM OF TWO WEEDING AND MOWING (BED EDGES, AROUND TREES AND GUY STAKES) PROGRAMS OF SUCH INTENSITY AS TO COMPLETELY RID THE PLANTED AND MULCHED AREAS OF WEEDS AND GRASSES. THE FIRST PROGRAM SHALL BEGIN ON OR ABOUT JUNE 15 AND THE OTHER APPROXIMATELY 8 WEEKS LATER.

EACH PLANT SHALL HAVE SUFFICIENT WATER TO KEEP IT IN A HEALTHY, GROWING CONDITION. IF LOCAL WEATHER CONDITIONS WARRANT, THE ENGINEER MAY REQUIRE WEEKLY WATERING. WHEN WATERING IS REQUIRED, A SCHEDULE FOR WATERING EACH PLANT SHALL BE SUPPLIED TO AND APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER. THE WATER SHALL BE APPLIED IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO SATURATE THE ROOT AND MULCHED AREA OF EACH PLANT WITHOUT CAUSING RUNOFF (SEE WATERING TABLE). IN CASE OF FALL PLANTINGS, THESE WATERINGS SHALL CONTINUE UNTIL SOIL FREEZE-UP AND RECOMMENCE AFTER THE SPRING THAW UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED.

ON OR ABOUT SEPTEMBER 15. THE ENGINEER SHALL INSPECT THE PLANTING AND SUPPLY THE CONTRACTOR WITH A LISTING OF THOSE PLANTS HAVING DIED, DIED BACK BEYOND NORMAL PRUNING LINES OR ARE MISSING FROM THE PLANTING. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL MAKE THE REPLANTING AS REQUIRED AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE ORIGINAL MATERIAL. THESE REPLACEMENTS ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE PERIOD OF ESTABLISHMENT, HOWEVER, PLANTS PLANTED INITIALLY IN THE FALL WHICH HAVE DIED BEFORE THE SPRING PLANTING SEASON SHALL BE REPLACED IMMEDIATELY AND ARE SUBJECT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT PERIOD.

AFTER REPLACEMENTS HAVE BEEN PLANTED. THE FINAL INSPECTION SHALL BE MADE AND THE ACTUAL COUNT OF LIVE PLANTS OF EACH VARIETY AND SPECIES LISTED FOR PAYMENT.

WATERING TABLE

SHRUBS [-2" SIZE	2 GALLON PER PLANT
SHRUBS 2'-3' SIZE	4 GALLONS PER PLANT
SHRUBS 4'-5' SIZE	7 GALLONS PER PLANT
TREES 5'-6' SIZE	10 GALLONS PER PLANT
TREES 1-1/4" - 1-1/2" CAL.	15 GALLONS PER PLANT
TREES 1-1/2" - 2" CAL.	20 GALLONS PER PLANT
TREES 2"-3" CAL.	25 GALLONS PER PLANT
TREES 3"-4" CAL.	30 GALLONS PER PLANT

THE METHOD OF MEASUREMENT FOR SUMMER WATERING SHALL BE BY APPROVED METERING FROM TANKS OR BY INDIVIDUALLY MEASURED CONTAINERS TO EACH PLANT TO BE WATERED. PAYMENT FOR PLANTING PERIOD OF ESTABLISHMENT SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE UNIT PRICE BID FOR ITEMS 661, 662 AND 663.

*SOIL CONDITIONER

A SOIL CONDITIONER SUCH AS "TURFACE," "LUSOIL," "TERRAGREEN," OR AN APPROVED EQUAL SHALL BE USED. THE PARTICLE SIZE GRADATION OF THE SOIL CONDITIONER SHALL BE AT LEAST BOX PRSSING A NO. 6 SIEVE AND NOT MORE THAN 5% PASSING A NO. 50 SIEVE. ALTERNATE SHALL BE HORTICULTURAL PERLITE.

HERBICIDES

AFTER PLANTING AND FERTILIZING HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND APPROVED, THE AREA OF THE BED SHALL BE TREATED WITH SIMAZINE, DYMID OR AN APPROVED EQUAL HERBICIDE. RATE AND METHOD OF APPLICATION SHALL BE IN STRICT CONFORMANCE WITH MANUFAC-TURER'S INSTRUCTIONS AND UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A PESTICICE APPLICATOR LICENSED BY THE STATE OF OHIO.

TOPSOIL TESTING

TOPSOIL FAILING CURRENT TEST STANDARDS MAY BE ALTERED, UPON APPROVAL OF THE ENGINEER, BY ADDING APPROVED CONDITIONERS TO CORRECT THE DEFICIENCIES. TOPSOIL SHALL BE FREE OF JOHNSON GRASS AND CONFORM TO ITEM 653 AS DETERMINED BY THE ENGINEER.