



### WSUD RAINGARDEN SPECIFICATION:

THIS TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION PROVIDES INFORMATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF RAINGARDENS AS SHOWN ON DRAWINGS.

#### 1.RAINGARDEN CONSTRUCTION

#### 1.1 RAINGARDEN SCOPE

THE WORK TO BE EXECUTED UNDER THIS WORK SECTION COMPRISES: EXCAVATION, SHAPING, SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF THE MULCH LAYER, FILTER LAYERS, TRANSITION LAYER, DRAINAGE LAYERS, DRAINAGE PIPE, LINERS, CONNECTION TO PITS, PLANTING, AND ANY OTHER SPECIFIED MATERIALS AS SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS.

#### 1.2 MULCH LAYER

THE TOP LAYER OF THE FILTER MEDIA SHALL BE COVERED WITH LAYER OF WASHED (NO FINES OR DUST) STONE AGGREGATE MULCH. 100% OF THE PARTICLES SHOULD BE IN THE SIZE RANGE 10-20MM. MULCH SHALL BE RAKED EVEN AND KEPT CLEAR OF PLANT STEMS TO AVOID COLLAR ROT. THE FINISHED LEVEL IS CRITICAL FOR EXTENDED DETENTION STORAGE VOLUME.

A SAMPLE OF MULCH IS TO BE PROVIDED TO THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR APPROVAL PRIOR TO INSTALLATION AND SHALL NOT BE SEDIMENTARY IN ORIGIN.

#### 1.3 FILTER LAYER

THE FILTER MATERIAL SHALL PREFERABLY BE A "WASHED SAND" OF SILICEOUS OR CALCAREOUS ORIGIN, ONE THAT HAS BEEN MINED AND PROCESSED. NATURAL SOILS OR TOPSOILS ARE NOT USUALLY SUITABLE. USE BURDETTES TURF 200 OR DAISY'S GARDEN SUPPLIES BIO-DRAIN OR SIMILAR AND AMEND TO SUIT THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES:

- a) SATURATED HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY (HC) FILTER MEDIA SHALL HAVE A HC IN THE RANGE OF 200 300MM/H. THIS CRITICAL ELEMENT IS TO BE DEMONSTRATED THROUGH LAB TESTING USING ASTM F1815-06 AT THE CONTRACTOR'S COST;
- b) PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION (PSD) COMPOSITION (W/W) REQUIREMENTS:

DESCRIPTION	PROPORTION	GRADING
CLAY & SILT	<2%	<0.05mm
VERY FINE SAND	5-30%	0.05-0.15mm
FINE SAND	10-30%	0.15-0.25mm
MEDIUM TO COARSE SAND	40-60%	0.25-1.0mm
COARSE SAND	7-10%	1.0-2.0mm
FINE GRAVEL	<3%	2.0-3.4mm

- c) TOTAL NITROGEN (TN) CONTENT < 1000MG/KG;
- d) ORTHOPHOSPHATE CONTENT < 80MG/KG;
- e) ORGANIC MATTER AT LEAST 3% (W/W);
- f) PH FILTER MEDIA IS TO HAVE A PH 5.5 7.5 BEFORE DELIVERY TO SITE, ADD DOLOMITE AS REQUIRED;
- g) ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY (EC) FILTER MEDIA EC TO BE <1.2 DS/M.

#### 1.4 PLANTING

PLANTING REQUIREMENTS OF THE RAINGARDENS ARE AS PER THE DRAWINGS AND TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION.

#### 1.5 UPPER FILTER MEDIA (SOIL AMENDMENTS)

UPPER 100MM OF FILTER MEDIA LAYER SHALL BE ASSESSED BY AN APPROPRIATELY EXPERIENCED HORTICULTURIST TO DEFINE ADDITIVES NECESSARY FOR PLANT ESTABLISHMENT. GIVE CONSIDERATION FOR MAINTAINING HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY AND SPECIFIC PLANT REQUIREMENTS. IN THE ABSENCE OF THIS INFORMATION, THE UPPER FILTER LAYER SHALL BE MIXED WITH THE FOLLOWING TO SUPPORT PLANT GROWTH:

- a) GRANULATED POULTRY MANURE FINES 50KG/100M2 FILTER AREA
- b) SUPERPHOSPHATE AT 2KG/100M2 FILTER AREA
- c) MAGNESIUM SULPHATE AT 3KG/100M2 FILTER AREA
- d) POTASSIUM SULPHATE AT 2KG/100M2 FILTER AREA
- e) TRACE ELEMENT MIX (MICROMAX OR EQUIVALENT APPROVED) 1KG/100M2 FILTER AREA
- f) FERTILIZER NPK (16.4.14) AT 4KG/100M2 FILTER AREA
- g) LIME AT 20KG/100M2 FILTER AREA

#### 1.6 TESTING REQUIREMENTS

THE FOLLOWING TESTS ARE TO BE UNDERTAKEN ON ALL FILTER MEDIA PRIOR TO ITS DELIVERY AT THE CONTRACTOR'S COST:

- a) SATURATED HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY (HC) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASTM F1815-06;
- b) PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION (PSD) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS1141.11;
- CONCENTRATIONS OF TOTAL NITROGEN, ORTHOSPHOSPHATE, ORGANIC MATTER, PH AND ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY PRIOR TO AMELIORATION.

#### 1.7 TRANSITION LAYER

TO PREVENT THE FILTER MEDIA FROM WASHING THROUGH, A TRANSITION LAYER IS REQUIRED WHEN THE DRAINAGE LAYER IS FINE GRAVEL. THE TRANSITION LAYER SHOULD BE A CLEAN, WELL GRADED SAND/COARSE SAND MATERIAL CONTAINING <2% FINES, GENERALLY APPLIED IN A 100MM LAYER. A SUITABLE PRODUCT IS WASHED A3 FILTER SAND (VIC ROADS) WITH 90% PARTICLES RETAINED ABOVE 0.25MM.

TO A VOID MIGRATION OF THE FILTER MEDIA INTO THE TRANSITION LAYER, THE PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SAND SHALL BE ASSESSED TO ENSURE IT MEETS THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

#### D15 (TRANSITION LAYER) TO BE LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 5 X D85 (FILTER MEDIA)

WHERE

D15 (TRANSITION LAYER) IS THE 15TH PERCENTILE PARTICLE SIZE IN THE TRANSITION LAYER MATERIAL AND D85 (FILTER MEDIA) IS THE 85TH PERCENTILE PARTICLE SIZE IN THE FILTER MEDIA

THE SUPERINTENDENT MAY REQUIRE THE TRANSITION LAYER TO BE TESTED TO DETERMINE ITS HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY AND PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION

#### 1.8 DRAINAGE LAYER

THE DRAINAGE LAYER IS NORMALLY BETWEEN 100 - 150MM THICK. SUITABLE MATERIALS INCLUDE A WASHED COARSE SAND (COARSER THAN TRANSITION LAYER) OR WASHED FINE GRAVEL IN THE RANGE 2MM - 7MM. SCORIA IS NOT AN ACCEPTABLE MATERIAL FOR THIS APPLICATION.

#### ACCEPTABLE PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION:

PARTICLE SIZE (MM)	% RETAINED
GREATER THAN 7.0	0
4.0 - 7.0	GREATER THAN 70
2.0 - 4.0	LESS THAN 20
LESS THAN 2.0	0

TO A VOID MIGRATION OF THE TRANSITION LAYER INTO THE DRAINAGE LAYER, THE PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SAND SHALL BE ASSESSED TO ENSURE IT MEETS THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

#### D15 (DRAINAGE LAYER) LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 5 X D85 (TRANSITION LAYER)

WHERE

D15 (DRAINAGE LAYER) IS THE 15TH PERCENTILE PARTICLE SIZE IN THE DRAINAGE LAYER MATERIAL AND D85 (TRANSITION LAYER) IS THE 85TH PERCENTILE PARTICLE SIZE IN THE TRANSITION LAYER

THE SUPERINTENDENT MAY REQUIRE THE DRAINAGE LAYER TO BE TESTED TO DETERMINE ITS HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY AND PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION.

#### 2. PIPE WORK - UNDER DRAINAGE

SECTIONS OF DN 100 SLOTTED PVC PIPE SHALL BE LAID WITH THE DRAINAGE AGGREGATE UNDER THE RAINGARDENS. THE SLOTTED PVC PIPES SHALL BE GRADED TOWARD THE ADJACENT PITS WITH A MINIMUM FALL. EACH PIPE SHALL BE CONNECTED TO THE ADJACENT PIT VIA A 150 MM CORED HOLE AND EPOXY MORTARED IN PLACE.

NOTE: THE PERFORATIONS IN THE UNDER DRAIN PIPES SHALL BE SMALL ENOUGH TO PREVENT AGGREGATE FROM THE DRAINAGE LAYER ENTERING THE PIPES. A USEFUL GUIDE IS TO CHECK THAT D85 (DRAINAGE LAYER) IS GREATER THAN THE PIPE PERFORATION DIAMETER. SLOTTING OF PIPES SHALL BE AT 3, 6 AND 9 O'CLOCK. PIPE IS TO BE PURCHASED PRE-SLOTTED BY THE MANUFACTURER.

## WARNING BEWARE OF UNDERGROUND SERVICES

THE LOCATION OF UNDERGROUND SERVICES
SHOWN ARE APPROXIMATE ONLY AND THEIR
EXACT POSITION SHOULD BE PROVEN ON SITE.
NO GUARANTEE IS GIVEN THAT ALL SERVICES ARE SHOWN.
THE CONTRACTOR MUST VERIFY ALL SERVICES ON SITE
PRIOR TO ANY EYCLAVATION WORKS

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