

Part 1 General

1.1 REFERENCES

- .1 ASTM International
 - .1 ASTM C136-05, Standard Test Method for Sieve Analysis of Fine and Coarse Aggregates.
 - .2 ASTM D422-63 (2007)e2, Standard Test Method for Particle-Size Analysis of Soils.
 - .3 ASTM D698-12, Standard Test Methods for Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Standard Effort (12,400 ft-lbf/ft³) (600 kN-m/m³).
 - .4 ASTM D4318-10e1
 - .5 , Standard Test Methods for Liquid Limit, Plastic Limit, and Plasticity Index of Soils.
- .2 Canadian General Standards Board (CGSB)
 - .1 CAN/CGSB-8.2-M88, Sieves, Testing, Woven Wire, Metric.

1.2 DEFINITIONS

- .1 Unclassified excavation: excavation of deposits of whatever character encountered in Work.
- .2 Topsoil:
 - .1 Material capable of supporting good vegetative growth and suitable for use in top dressing, landscaping and seeding.
 - .2 Material reasonably free from subsoil, clay lumps, brush, objectionable weeds, and other litter, and free from cobbles, stumps, roots, and other objectionable material larger than 25 mm in any dimension.
- .3 Waste material: excavated material unsuitable for use in Work or surplus to requirements.
- .4 Borrow material: material obtained from locations outside area to be graded, and required for construction of fill areas or for other portions of Work.
- .5 Recycled fill material: material, considered inert, obtained from alternate sources and engineered to meet requirements of fill areas.
- .6 Unsuitable materials:
 - .1 Weak, chemically unstable, and compressible materials.
 - .2 Frost susceptible materials:
 - .1 Fine grained soils with plasticity index less than 10 when tested to ASTM D4318, and gradation within limits specified when tested to ASTM D422: Sieve sizes to CAN/CGSB-8.2.

.2 Table:

Sieve Designation	% Passing
2.00 mm	100
0.10 mm	45 - 100
0.02 mm	10 - 80
0.005 mm	0 - 45

.3 Coarse grained soils containing more than 20% by mass passing 0.075 mm sieve.

- .7 Unshrinkable fill: very weak mixture of cement, concrete aggregates and water that resists settlement when placed in utility trenches, and is capable of being readily excavated.

1.3 SUBMITTALS

- .1 Provide submittals in accordance with Section 01 33 00 – Submittal Procedures.

.2 Quality Control:

- .1 Submit condition survey of existing conditions.
- .2 Submit for review by Departmental Representative proposed dewatering.
- .3 Submit written notice to Departmental Representative at least 7 days prior to excavation work.
- .4 Submit written notice to Departmental Representative when bottom of excavation is reached.
- .5 Submit testing results to Departmental Representative.

.3 Preconstruction Submittals:

- .1 Submit construction equipment list of major equipment to be used in this section prior to start of Work.
- .2 Submit records of underground utility locates, indicating: location plan of existing utilities as found in field, clearance record from utility authority, location plan of relocated and abandoned services, as required.

.4 Samples:

- .1 Inform Departmental Representative at least 4 weeks prior to beginning Work, of proposed source of fill materials; provide access for sampling.
- .2 Submit 10 kg samples of type of fill specified including representative samples of excavated material.
- .3 Ship samples prepaid to Departmental Representative, in tightly closed containers to prevent contamination and exposure to elements.

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- .1 Engage services of qualified professional Engineer who is registered or licensed in Province of Manitoba to design and inspect shoring and bracing for Work.
- .2 Do not use soil material until written report of soil test results are approved by Departmental Representative.

1.5 WASTE MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSAL

- .1 Remove waste materials in accordance with Section 01 74 21 – Construction and Demolition Waste Management and Disposal.

1.6 EXISTING CONDITIONS

- .1 Buried services:
 - .1 Before commencing work establish location of buried services on and adjacent to site.
 - .2 Arrange with appropriate authority for relocation of buried services that interfere with execution of work: pay costs of relocating services.
 - .3 Remove obsolete buried services within 2 metres of foundations: cap cut-offs.
 - .4 Size, depth and location of existing utilities and structures as indicated are for guidance only. Completeness and accuracy are not guaranteed.
 - .5 Prior to beginning excavation Work, notify applicable Departmental Representative and authorities having jurisdiction to establish location and state of use of buried utilities and structures. Departmental Representative and authorities having jurisdiction to clearly mark such locations to prevent disturbance during Work.
 - .6 Confirm locations of buried utilities by careful soil hydrovac methods.
 - .7 Maintain and protect from damage, water, sewer, gas, electric, telephone and other utilities and structures encountered.
 - .8 Where utility lines or structures exist in area of excavation, obtain direction of Departmental Representative before re-routing. Costs for such Work to be paid by Departmental Representative.
 - .9 Record location of maintained, re-routed and abandoned underground lines.
 - .10 Confirm locations of recent excavations adjacent to area of excavation.
- .2 Existing buildings and surface features:
 - .1 Conduct, with Departmental Representative, condition survey of existing buildings, trees and other plants, lawns, fencing, service poles, wires, rail tracks, pavement, survey bench marks and monuments which may be affected by Work.
 - .2 Protect existing buildings and surface features from damage while Work is in progress. In event of damage, immediately make repair as directed by Departmental Representative.
 - .3 Where required for excavation, cut roots or branches as directed by Departmental Representative.

Part 2 Products

2.1 MATERIALS

- .1 Type 1 and Type 2 fill: properties to the following requirements:
 - .1 Crushed, pit run or screened stone, gravel or sand.
 - .2 Gradations to be within limits specified when tested to ASTM C136. Sieve sizes to CAN/CGSB-8.2.
 - .3 Table:

Sieve Designation	% Passing	
	Type 1	Type 2
75 mm	-	100
50 mm	-	-
37.5 mm	-	-
25 mm	100	-
19 mm	75-100	-
12.5 mm	-	-
9.5 mm	50-100	-
4.75 mm	30-70	22-85
2.00 mm	20-45	-
0.425 mm	10-25	5-30
0.180 mm	-	-
0.075 mm	3-8	0-10

- .2 Shearmat: honeycomb type biodegradable cardboard 150 mm thick, treated to provide sufficient structural support for poured concrete until concrete cured.

Part 3 Execution

3.1 TEMPORARY EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL

- .1 Provide temporary erosion and sedimentation control measures to prevent soil erosion and discharge of soil-bearing water runoff or airborne dust to adjacent properties and walkways, according to requirements of authorities having jurisdiction.
- .2 Inspect, repair, and maintain erosion and sedimentation control measures during construction until permanent vegetation has been established.
- .3 Remove erosion and sedimentation controls and restore and stabilize areas disturbed during removal.

3.2 SITE PREPARATION

- .1 Remove obstructions, ice and snow, from surfaces to be excavated within limits indicated.
- .2 Cut pavement or sidewalk neatly along limits of proposed excavation in order that surface may break evenly and cleanly.

3.3 PREPARATION/PROTECTION

- .1 Protect existing features. Keep excavations clean, free of standing water, and loose soil.
- .2 Where soil is subject to significant volume change due to change in moisture content, cover and protect to Departmental Representative approval.
- .3 Protect natural and man-made features required to remain undisturbed. Unless otherwise indicated or located in an area to be occupied by new construction, protect existing trees from damage.
- .4 Protect buried services that are required to remain undisturbed.

3.4 STRIPPING OF TOPSOIL

- .1 Begin topsoil stripping of areas after area has been cleared and removed from site.
- .2 Strip topsoil to depths as directed by Departmental Representative.
 - .1 Do not mix topsoil with subsoil.
- .3 Stockpile in locations directed by Departmental Representative.
 - .1 Stockpile height not to exceed 2 metres and should be protected from erosion.
- .4 Dispose of unused topsoil off site.

3.5 STOCKPILING

- .1 Stockpile fill materials in areas designated by Departmental Representative.
 - .1 Stockpile granular materials in manner to prevent segregation.
- .2 Protect fill materials from contamination.
- .3 Implement sufficient erosion and sediment control measures to prevent sediment release off construction boundaries and into water bodies.

3.6 SHORING AND BRACING

- .1 Maintain sides and slopes of excavations in safe condition by appropriate methods and in accordance with Workplace Safety and Health Act for the Province of Manitoba.
 - .1 Where conditions are unstable, contact Departmental Representative to verify and advise methods.
- .2 Construct temporary Works to depths, heights and locations as approved by Departmental Representative.
- .3 Upon completion of construction:
 - .1 Remove shoring and bracing.
 - .2 Remove excess materials from site.

3.7 DEWATERING AND HEAVE PREVENTION

- .1 Keep excavations free of water while Work is in progress.
- .2 Provide for Departmental Representative's approval details of proposed dewatering or heave prevention methods, including dikes, well points, and sheet pile cut-offs.
- .3 Avoid excavation below groundwater table if quick condition or heave is likely to occur.
 - .1 Prevent piping or bottom heave of excavations by groundwater lowering, sheet pile cut-offs, or other means.
- .4 Protect open excavations against flooding and damage due to surface run-off.
- .5 Dispose of water in manner not detrimental to public and private property, or portion of Work completed or under construction.
 - .1 Provide and maintain temporary drainage ditches and other diversions outside of excavation limits.
- .6 Provide flocculation tanks, settling basins, or other treatment facilities to remove suspended solids or other materials before discharging to storm sewers, watercourses or drainage areas.

3.8 EXCAVATION

- .1 Advise Departmental Representative at least 7 days in advance of excavation operations.
- .2 Excavate to lines, grades, elevations and dimensions as directed by Departmental Representative.
- .3 Remove rubble and other obstructions encountered during excavation.
- .4 Excavation must not interfere with bearing capacity of adjacent foundations.
- .5 Do not disturb soil within branch spread of trees or shrubs that are to remain.
 - .1 If excavating through roots, excavate by hand and cut roots with sharp axe or saw.
- .6 For trench excavation, unless otherwise authorized by Departmental Representative in writing, do not excavate more than 30 m of trench in advance of installation operations and do not leave open more than 15 m at end of day's operation.
- .7 Keep excavated and stockpiled materials safe distance away from edge of trench as directed by Departmental Representative.
- .8 Restrict vehicle operations directly adjacent to open trenches.
- .9 Dispose of surplus and unsuitable excavated material off site.
- .10 Do not obstruct flow of surface drainage or natural watercourses.
- .11 Earth bottoms of excavations to be undisturbed soil, level, free from loose, soft or organic matter.

- .12 Notify Departmental Representative when bottom of excavation is reached.
- .13 Obtain Departmental Representative approval of completed excavation.
- .14 Remove unsuitable material from trench bottom including those that extend below required elevations to extent and depth as directed by Departmental Representative.
- .15 Correct unauthorized over-excavation as follows:
 - .1 Fill under bearing surfaces and footings with concrete specified for footings.
 - .2 Fill under other areas with Type 2 fill compacted to not less than 95% of corrected Standard Proctor maximum dry density.
- .16 Hand trim, make firm and remove loose material and debris from excavations.
 - .1 Where material at bottom of excavation is disturbed, compact foundation soil to density at least equal to undisturbed soil.
 - .2 Clean out rock seams and fill with concrete mortar or grout to approval of Departmental Representative.

3.9 FILL TYPES AND COMPACTION

- .1 Use types of fill as indicated or specified below. Compaction densities are percentages of maximum densities obtained from ASTM D698.
 - .1 Exterior side of perimeter walls: use Type 2 fill to subgrade level. Compact to 95% of corrected maximum dry density.
 - .2 Within building area: use Type 2 to underside of base course for floor slabs. Compact to 100% of corrected maximum dry density.
 - .3 Under concrete slabs: provide 150 mm compacted thickness base course of Type 1 fill topped with shearmat filler as indicated to underside of slab. Compact base course to 100%.

3.10 BEDDING AND SURROUND OF UNDERGROUND SERVICES

- .1 Place and compact granular material for bedding and surround of underground services.
- .2 Place bedding and surround material in unfrozen condition.

3.11 BACKFILLING

- .1 Do not proceed with backfilling operations until completion of following:
 - .1 Departmental Representative has inspected and approved installations.
 - .2 Departmental Representative has inspected and approved of construction below finish grade.
 - .3 Inspection, testing, approval, and recording location of underground utilities.
 - .4 Removal of concrete formwork.

- .5 Removal of shoring and bracing; backfilling of voids with satisfactory soil material.
- .2 Areas to be backfilled to be free from debris, snow, ice, water and frozen ground.
- .3 Do not use backfill material that is frozen or contains ice, snow or debris.
- .4 Place backfill material in uniform layers not exceeding 6 inches (150 mm) compacted thickness up to grades indicated. Compact each layer before placing succeeding layer.
- .5 Backfilling around installations:
 - .1 Place bedding and surround material as specified elsewhere.
 - .2 Do not backfill around or over cast-in-place concrete within 24 hours after placing of concrete.
 - .3 Place layers simultaneously on both sides of installed Work to equalize loading. Difference not to exceed 300 mm.
 - .4 Where temporary unbalanced earth pressures are liable to develop on walls or other structures:
 - .1 Permit concrete to cure for minimum 14 days or until it has sufficient strength to withstand earth and compaction pressure and approval obtained from Departmental Representative.
 - .2 If approved by Departmental Representative, erect bracing or shoring to counteract unbalance, and leave in place until removal is approved by Departmental Representative.

3.12 RESTORATION

- .1 Upon completion of Work, remove waste materials and debris in accordance to Section 01 74 21 – Construction and Demolition Waste Management and Disposal, trim slopes, and correct defects as directed by Departmental Representative.
- .2 Replace topsoil as directed by Departmental Representative.
- .3 Reinstall lawns to elevation that existed before excavation.
- .4 Reinstall pavements and sidewalks disturbed by excavation to thickness, structure and elevation that existed before excavation.
- .5 Clean and reinstall areas affected by Work as directed by Departmental Representative.
- .6 Protect newly graded areas from traffic and erosion and maintain free of trash or debris.

END OF SECTION