

Part 1 General

1.1 REFERENCE STANDARDS

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- .3 Perform work in accordance with the following Standards, except where specified otherwise.
 - .1 ASTM International
 - .1 ASTM D698, Standard Test Methods for Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Standard Effort (12,400 ft-lbf/ft³) (600kN-m/m³).
 - .2 CSA Group (CSA)
 - .1 CSA A23.1/A23.2, Concrete Materials and Methods of Concrete Construction/Test Methods and Standard Practices for Concrete.
 - .3 United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)/Office of Water
 - .1 EPA 832/R-92-005, Storm Water Management for Construction Activities: Developing Pollution Prevention Plans and Best Management Practices.

1.2 ACTION AND INFORMATIONAL SUBMITTALS

- .1 Submit in accordance with Division 01 - Submittal Procedures.
 - .1 Erosion and Sedimentation Control: submit erosion and sedimentation control plan in accordance with EPA 832/R92-005.

Part 2 Products

2.1 MATERIALS

- .1 Granular B Type II, B Type I.
- .2 Crushed Granular 20-0.
- .3 Unshrinkable fill: concrete to CSA A23.1/A23.2.

Part 3 Execution

3.1 EXAMINATION

- .1 Verification of Conditions:
 - .1 Examine soil report if provided by Departmental Representative.
 - .2 Before commencing work establish locations of buried services on and adjacent to site.

.2 Evaluation and Assessment:

- .1 Arrange with appropriate authority for relocation of buried services that interfere with execution of work. Pay costs of relocating services.
- .2 Testing of materials and compaction of backfill and fill will be carried out by testing laboratory designated by Departmental Representative.
- .3 Not later than 1 week before backfilling or filling, provide to designated testing agency, 23 kg sample of backfill and fill materials proposed for use.
- .4 Not later than 48 hours before backfilling or filling with approved material, notify Departmental Representative so that compaction tests can be carried out by designated testing agency.
- .5 Before commencing work, conduct, with Departmental Representative, condition survey of existing structures, trees and plants, lawns, fencing, service poles, wires, rail tracks and paving, survey bench marks and monuments which may be affected by work.

3.2 PREPARATION

.1 Temporary Erosion and Sedimentation Control:

- .1 Use 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, in accordance with sediment and erosion control plan, specific to site, to EPA 832/R-92-005.
- .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.

.2 Protection of in-place conditions:

- .1 Protect excavations from freezing.
- .2 Keep excavations clean, free of standing water, and loose soil.
- .3 Where soil is subject to significant volume change due to change in moisture content, cover and protect to Departmental Representative's approval.
- .4 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.
- .5 Protect buried services that are to remain undisturbed.

.3 Removal:

- .1 Remove obsolete buried services within 2 metres of foundations. Cap cut-offs.
- .2 Remove obstructions, ice and snow, from surfaces to be excavated within limits indicated.
- .3 Cut pavement or sidewalk neatly along limits of proposed excavation in order that surface may break evenly and cleanly.
- .4 Remove stumps and tree roots below paving, and to 600 mm below finished grade elsewhere.

3.3 EXCAVATION

- .1 Shore and brace excavations, protect slopes and banks and perform work in accordance with Provincial and Municipal regulations.
- .2 Do blasting in accordance with Provincial and Municipal regulations. Repair damage to approval of Departmental Representative. No blasting will be permitted within 3 m of any building and where damage would result.
- .3 Topsoil stripping:
 - .1 Do not handle topsoil while in wet or frozen condition or in any manner in which soil structure is adversely affected.
 - .2 Strip topsoil to depths as directed Departmental Representative. Avoid mixing topsoil with subsoil.
 - .3 Strip topsoil over areas to be covered by new construction, over areas where grade changes are required, and so that excavated material may be stockpiled without covering topsoil.
 - .4 Stockpile in locations as directed by Departmental Representative.
 - .5 Dispose of topsoil as directed by Departmental Representative.
- .4 Excavate as required to carry out work, in all materials met.
 - .1 Do not disturb soil or rock below bearing surfaces. Notify Departmental Representative when excavations are complete.
 - .2 If bearings are unsatisfactory, additional excavation will be authorized in writing and paid for as additional work.
- .5 Excavate trenches to provide uniform continuous bearing and support for 150 mm thickness of pipe bedding material on solid and undisturbed ground. Trench widths below point 150 mm above pipe not to exceed diameter of pipe plus 600 mm.
- .6 Excavate for slabs and paving to subgrade levels.
 - .1 Remove topsoil, organic matter, debris and other loose and harmful matter encountered at subgrade level.

3.4 SITE QUALITY CONTROL

- .1 Fill material and spaces to be filled to be inspected and approved by Departmental Representative.

3.5 BACKFILLING

- .1 Start backfilling only after inspection and receipt of written approval of fill material and spaces to be filled from Departmental Representative.
- .2 Remove snow, ice, construction debris, organic soil and standing water from spaces to be filled.
- .3 Lateral support: maintain even levels of backfill around structures as work progresses, to equalize earth pressures.
- .4 Compaction of subgrade: compact existing subgrade under walks, and paving to same compaction as specified for fill. Fill excavated areas with gravel and sand compacted as specified for fill.

- .5 Placing:
 - .1 Place backfill, fill and base course material in 150 mm lifts. Add water as required to achieve specified density.
- .6 Compaction: compact each layer of material to following densities for material to ASTM D698:
 - .1 To underside of base courses: 98%.
 - .2 Base courses: 100%.
 - .3 Elsewhere: 97%.
- .7 Under slabs and paving:
 - .1 Use 98% up to bottom of granular base courses.
 - .2 Use 100% for base courses.
- .8 In trenches:
 - .1 Up to 300 mm above pipe or conduit: sand placed by hand.
 - .2 Over 300 mm above pipe or conduit: native material approved by Departmental Representative.
- .9 Under seeded and sodded areas: use site excavated material to bottom of topsoil except in trenches and within 600 mm of foundations.
- .10 Blown rock material, not capable of fine grading, is not acceptable, imported material must be placed on this type of material.
- .11 Against foundations (except as applicable to trenches and under slabs and paving): excavated material or imported material with no stones larger than 200 mm diameter within 600 mm of structures.

3.6 GRADING

- .1 Grade to ensure that water will drain away from buildings, walls and paved areas, to catch basins and other disposal areas approved by Departmental Representative. Grade to be gradual between finished spot elevations as indicated.

3.7 CLEANING

- .1 Progress Cleaning: clean in accordance with Division 01 - Cleaning.
 - .1 Dispose of cleared and grubbed material off site daily.
- .2 Final Cleaning: upon completion remove surplus materials, rubbish, tools and equipment in accordance with Division 01 - Cleaning.
- .3 Waste Management: separate waste materials for reuse and recycling in accordance with Division 01 - Waste Management and Disposal.

END OF SECTION

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- .3 Perform work in accordance with the following Standards, except where specified otherwise.
 - .1 ASTM International (ASTM)
 - .1 ASTM D4791, Standard Test Method for Flat Particles, Elongated Particles, or Flat and Elongated Particles in Coarse Aggregate.
 - .2 United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)/Office of Water
 - .1 EPA 832/R-92-005, Storm Water Management for Construction Activities: Developing Pollution Prevention Plans and Best Management Practices.

1.2 ACTION AND INFORMATIONAL SUBMITTALS

- .1 Submit in accordance with Division 01 - Submittal Procedures.
- .2 Product Data:
 - .1 Submit manufacturer's instructions, printed product literature and data sheets for aggregate materials and include product characteristics, performance criteria, physical size, finish and limitations.
- .3 Samples:
 - .1 Submit a minimum of one sieve analysis per 500 tonnes of aggregate supplied to jobsite, as required.
 - .2 Allow continual sampling by Departmental Representative during production.
 - .3 Provide Departmental Representative with access to source and processed material for sampling.
 - .4 Provide front end loader or other suitable equipment including trained operator for stockpile sampling as necessary. Move samples to storage place as directed by Departmental Representative.
 - .5 Supply new or clean sample bags or containers according appropriate to aggregate materials.
 - .6 Pay cost of sampling and testing of aggregates which fail to meet specified requirements.

1.3 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

- .1 Deliver, store and handle materials in accordance with Division 01 - Common Product Requirements.

- .2 Transportation and Handling: handle and transport aggregates to avoid segregation, contamination and degradation.
- .3 Storage: store washed materials or materials excavated from underwater 24 hours minimum to allow free water to drain and for materials to attain uniform water content.

Part 2 Products

2.1 MATERIALS

- .1 Aggregate quality: sound, hard, durable material free from soft, thin, elongated or laminated particles, organic material, clay lumps or minerals, free from adherent coatings and injurious amounts of disintegrated pieces or other deleterious substances.
- .2 Flat and elongated particles of coarse aggregate: to ASTM D4791.
 - .1 Greatest dimension to exceed 5 times least dimension.
- .3 Fine aggregates satisfying requirements of applicable section to be one, or blend of following:
 - .1 Screenings produced in crushing of quarried rock, boulders, gravel or slag.
- .4 Coarse aggregates satisfying requirements of applicable section to be one of or blend of following:
 - .1 Crushed rock.
 - .2 Gravel and crushed gravel composed of naturally formed particles of stone.

2.2 SOURCE QUALITY CONTROL

- .1 Inform Departmental Representative of proposed source of aggregates and provide access for sampling 4 weeks minimum before starting production.
- .2 If materials from proposed source do not meet, or cannot reasonably be processed to meet, specified requirements, locate alternative source.
- .3 Advise Departmental Representative 4 weeks minimum in advance of proposed change of material source.
- .4 Acceptance of material at source does not preclude future rejection if it fails to conform to requirements specified, lacks uniformity, or if its field performance is found to be unsatisfactory.

Part 3 Execution

3.1 EXAMINATION

- .1 Verification of Conditions: verify that conditions are acceptable for topsoil stripping.
 - .1 Visually inspect substrate in presence of Departmental Representative.
 - .2 Inform Departmental Representative of unacceptable conditions immediately upon discovery.

- .3 Proceed with topsoil stripping. only after unacceptable conditions have been remedied and after receipt of written approval to proceed from Departmental Representative.

3.2 PREPARATION

- .1 Topsoil stripping:
 - .1 Do not handle topsoil while in wet or frozen condition or in any manner in which soil structure is adversely affected.
 - .2 Begin topsoil stripping of areas as directed by Departmental Representative] after area has been cleared of grasses, weeds, brush, and removed from site.
 - .3 Strip topsoil to depths as directed by Departmental Representative. Avoid mixing topsoil with subsoil.
 - .4 Dispose of topsoil as directed by Departmental Representative.
- .2 Aggregate source preparation:
 - .1 Prior to excavating materials for aggregate production, clear and grub area to be worked, and strip unsuitable surface materials. Dispose of cleared, grubbed and unsuitable materials as directed by Departmental Representative.
 - .2 Clear, grub and strip area ahead of quarrying or excavating operation sufficient to prevent contamination of aggregate by deleterious materials.
 - .3 When excavation is completed dress sides of excavation to nominal 1.5:1 slope, and provide drains or ditches as required to prevent surface standing water.
 - .4 Trim off and dress slopes of waste material piles and leave site in neat condition.
- .3 Processing:
 - .1 Process aggregate uniformly using methods that prevent contamination, segregation and degradation.
 - .2 Blend aggregates, as required, including reclaimed materials that meet physical requirements of specification is permitted in order to satisfy gradation requirements for material and, percentage of crushed particles, or particle shapes specified.
 - .1 Use methods and equipment approved in writing by Departmental Representative.
- .4 When operating in stratified deposits use excavation equipment and methods that produce uniform, homogeneous aggregate gradation.
- .5 Where necessary, screen, crush, wash, classify and process aggregates with suitable equipment to meet requirements.
 - .1 Use only equipment approved in writing by Departmental Representative.
- .6 Stockpiling:
 - .1 Stockpile aggregates on site in locations as indicated unless directed otherwise by Departmental Representative. Do not stockpile on completed pavement surfaces.

- .2 Stockpile aggregates in sufficient quantities to meet project schedules.
- .3 Stockpiling sites to be level, well drained, and of adequate bearing capacity and stability to support stockpiled materials and handling equipment.
- .4 Except where stockpiled on acceptably stabilized areas, provide compacted sand base not less than 300 mm in depth to prevent contamination of aggregate. Stockpile aggregates on ground but do not incorporate bottom 300 mm of pile into Work.
- .5 Do not use intermixed or contaminated materials. Remove and dispose of rejected materials as directed by Departmental Representative within 48 hours of rejection.
- .6 Stockpile materials in uniform layers of thickness as follows:
 - .1 Maximum 1.5 m for coarse aggregate and base course materials.
 - .2 Maximum 1.5 m for fine aggregate and sub-base materials.
 - .3 Maximum 1.5 m for other materials.
- .7 Uniformly spot-dump aggregates delivered to stockpile in trucks and build up stockpile as specified.
- .8 Do not cone piles or spill material over edges of piles.
- .9 During winter operations, prevent ice and snow from becoming mixed into stockpile or in material being removed from stockpile.

3.3 CLEANING

- .1 Progress Cleaning: clean in accordance with Division 01 - Cleaning.
 - .1 Leave Work area clean at end of each day.
- .2 Final Cleaning: upon completion remove surplus materials, rubbish, tools and equipment in accordance with Division 01 - Cleaning.
- .3 Leave aggregate stockpile site in tidy, well drained condition, free of standing surface water.
- .4 Leave any unused aggregates in neat compact stockpiles as directed by Departmental Representative.
- .5 Waste Management: separate waste materials for reuse and recycling in accordance with Division 01 - Waste Management and Disposal.

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 - .1 ASTM D698, Test Method for Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Standard Effort (600 kN-m/m³).
 - .2 Underwriters' Laboratories of Canada (ULC)

1.2 ACTION AND INFORMATIONAL SUBMITTALS

- .1 Submit in accordance with Division 01 - Submittal Procedures.

1.3 EXISTING CONDITIONS

- .1 Known underground and surface utility lines and buried objects are as indicated on site plan. If data is unreliable or incomplete, Contractor to establish location before commencing work.
- .2 Refer to dewatering in *Section 31 23 33.01 - Excavating, Trenching and Backfilling*.

Part 2 Products

2.1 MATERIALS

- .1 Fill material: in accordance with of *Section 31 23 33.01 - Excavating, Trenching and Backfilling*.
- .2 Excavated or graded material existing on site suitable to use as fill for grading work if approved by Departmental Representative.

Part 3 Execution

3.1 EXAMINATION

- .1 Verification of Conditions: verify that conditions of substrate previously installed under other Sections or Contracts are acceptable for rough grading installation in accordance with manufacturer's written instructions.
 - .1 Visually inspect substrate in presence of Departmental Representative.
 - .2 Inform Departmental Representative of unacceptable conditions immediately upon discovery.

- .3 Proceed with installation only after unacceptable conditions have been remedied and after receipt of written approval to proceed from Departmental Representative.

3.2 STRIPPING OF TOPSOIL

- .1 Do not handle topsoil while in wet or frozen condition or in any manner in which soil structure is adversely affected as determined by Departmental Representative.
- .2 Commence topsoil stripping of areas as directed by Departmental Representative after area has been cleared of brush, weeds, grasses, and removed from site.
- .3 Stockpile in locations as directed by Departmental Representative. Stockpile height not to exceed 2 metres.
- .4 Dispose of unused topsoil as directed by Departmental Representative.

3.3 GRADING

- .1 Rough grade to levels, profiles, and contours allowing for surface treatment as indicated.
- .2 Slope rough grade away from building 1:50 minimum.
- .3 Grade ditches to depth required for maximum run-off.
- .4 Prior to placing fill over existing ground, scarify surface to depth of 150 mm minimum before placing fill over existing ground. Maintain fill and existing surface at approximately same moisture content to facilitate bonding.
- .5 Compact filled and disturbed areas to maximum dry density to ASTM D698, as follows:
 - .1 85 % under landscaped areas.
 - .2 95 % under paved and walk areas.

3.4 TESTING

- .1 Inspection and testing of soil compaction will be carried out by testing laboratory designated by ULC. Costs of tests will be paid by Departmental Representative in accordance with Division 01 - Payment Procedures for Testing Laboratory Services and Division 01 - Quality Control.
- .2 Submit testing procedure, frequency of tests, testing laboratory as designated by ULC or certified testing personnel to Departmental Representative for review and approval.

3.5 CLEANING

- .1 Progress Cleaning: clean in accordance with Division 01 - Cleaning.
 - .1 Leave Work area clean at end of each day.
- .2 Final Cleaning: upon completion remove surplus materials, rubbish, tools and equipment in accordance with Division 01 - Cleaning.

- .3 Waste Management: separate waste materials for reuse and recycling in accordance with Division 01 - Waste Management and Disposal.
 - .1 Remove recycling containers and bins from site and dispose of materials at appropriate facility.

3.6 PROTECTION

- .1 Protect existing trees, fencing, landscaping, natural features, bench marks, buildings, pavement, surface or underground utility lines which are to remain as directed by Departmental Representative. If damaged, restore to original or better condition unless directed otherwise.
- .2 Maintain access roads to prevent accumulation of construction related debris on roads.

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- .3 Perform work in accordance with the following Standards, except where specified otherwise.

1.2 DEFINITIONS

- .1 Rock: any solid material in excess of 0.25 m³ and which cannot be removed by means of heavy duty mechanical excavating equipment with 0.95 to 1.15 m³ bucket. Frozen material not classified as rock.

1.3 CLASSIFICATION OF EXCAVATION

- .1 The following classifications of excavation will be made when solid rock, rock in ledges, rock-hard cementitious aggregate deposits, large boulders or other similar obstructions are encountered:
 - .1 Rock Excavation in Trenches and Pits.
- .2 "Rock Excavation in Trenches and Pits" includes:
 - .1 Removal and disposal of materials and obstructions encountered which cannot be dislodged and excavated with a Caterpillar Model No. 215C LC equipped with a short stick and a 1070 mm wide rock bucket, or equivalent modern, track-mounted power excavator, rated at not less than 86 kW flywheel power and 142 kN drawbar pull, without prior drilling or blasting.

1.4 ACTION AND INFORMATIONAL SUBMITTALS

- .1 Submit submittals in accordance with Division 01 - Submittal Procedures.
- .2 Blasting Submittals: submit for approval, written proposal of operations for removal of rock by blasting to Departmental Representative.
 - .1 Indicate types and quantities of explosives to be used, loading charts and drill hole patterns, type of caps, blasting techniques, blast protection measures for items such as flying rock, vibration, dust and noise control. Include details on protective measures, time of blasting and other pertinent details.
 - .2 Indicate blasting and vibration control to reduce ground vibrations to avoid damage to structures or remaining rock mass.

- .3 Submit records to Departmental Representative at end of each shift.
Maintain complete and accurate record of drilling and blasting operations.
- .3 Qualification Statements:
 - .1 Retain licensed explosives expert to program and supervise blasting work, to interpret recommendations of pre-blasting report, and to determine precautions, preparation and operations techniques.
 - .2 Submit documentation verifying explosives expert's qualifications.

1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

- .1 Deliver, store and handle materials in accordance with Division 01 - Common Product Requirements.
- .2 Packaging Waste Management: remove for reuse and return of padding, crates, pallets, packaging materials in accordance with Division 01 - Waste Management and Disposal.

1.6 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- .1 Blasting Survey and Monitoring:
 - .1 Departmental Representative will visit property holders of adjacent buildings and structures to determine existing conditions and describe blasting and seismic recording operations and obtain their permission for setting up seismographs.

Part 2 Products

2.1 MATERIALS

Not used.

Part 3 Execution

3.1 ROCK REMOVAL

- .1 Perform excavation in accordance with Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan.
- .2 Co-ordinate this Section with Division 01 - Health and Safety Requirements.
- .3 Remove rock to alignments, profiles, and cross sections as indicated.
- .4 Explosive blasting is not permitted at locations indicated by Departmental Representative.
 - .1 Do blasting operations in accordance with local and provincial codes.
- .5 Use rock removal procedures to produce uniform and stable excavation surfaces. Minimize overbreak, and to avoid damage to adjacent structures.
- .6 Excavate rock to horizontal surfaces not to exceed slope as directed by Departmental Representative.

- .7 Prepare rock surfaces which are to bond to concrete, by scaling, pressure washing and broom cleaning surfaces.
- .8 Excavate trenches to lines and grades to minimum of 300 mm below pipe invert indicated. Provide recesses for bell and spigot pipe to ensure bearing will occur uniformly along barrel of pipe.
- .9 Cut trenches to widths as indicated.
- .10 Use pre-shearing, cushion blasting or other smooth wall drilling and blasting techniques or directed by Departmental Representative.
- .11 Remove boulders and fragments which may slide or roll into excavated areas.
- .12 Correct unauthorized rock removal at no extra cost, in accordance with Section 31 23 33.01 - Excavating, Trenching and Backfilling.
- .13 Intermittent drilling, blasting or ripping performed to increase production and not necessary to perform the Work, will be classified as earth excavation.

3.2 CLEANING

- .1 Clean in accordance with Division 01 - Cleaning.
- .2 Rock Disposal:
 - .1 Dispose of surplus removed rock in accordance with [Division 01 - Waste Management and Disposal.
- .3 Waste Management: separate waste materials for reuse and recycling in accordance with Division 01 - Waste Management and Disposal.

3.3 PROTECTION

- .1 Prevent damage to surroundings and injury to persons in accordance with Division 01 - Temporary Barriers and Enclosures. Erect fencing, post guards, sound warnings and display signs when blasting to take place.

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- .3 Perform work in accordance with the following Standards, except where specified otherwise.
 - .1 ASTM International (ASTM)
 - .1 ASTM C117, Standard Test Method for Material Finer than 0.075 mm (No.200) Sieve in Mineral Aggregates by Washing.
 - .2 ASTM C136, Standard Test Method for Sieve Analysis of Fine and Coarse Aggregates.
 - .3 ASTM D422-63, Standard Test Method for Particle-Size Analysis of Soils.
 - .4 ASTM D698, Standard Test Methods for Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Standard Effort (12,400 ft-lbf/ft³) (600 kN-m/m³).
 - .5 ASTM D1557, Standard Test Methods for Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Modified Effort (56,000 ft-lbf/ft³) (2,700 kN-m/m³).
 - .6 ASTM D4318, Standard Test Methods for Liquid Limit, Plastic Limit, and Plasticity Index of Soils.
 - .2 Canadian General Standards Board (CGSB)
 - .1 CAN/CGSB-8.1, Sieves, Testing, Woven Wire, Inch Series.
 - .2 CAN/CGSB-8.2, Sieves, Testing, Woven Wire, Metric.
 - .3 CSA Group (CSA)
 - .1 CAN/CSA-A3000, Cementitious Materials Compendium (Consists of A3001, A3002, A3003, A3004 and A3005).
 - .1 CSA-A3001, Cementitious Materials for Use in Concrete.
 - .2 CSA-A23.1/A23.2, Concrete Materials and Methods of Concrete Construction/Methods of Test and Standard Practices for Concrete.
 - .4 United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)/Office of Water
 - .1 EPA 832R-92-005, Storm Water Management for Construction Activities: Developing Pollution Prevention Plans and Best Management Practices.

1.2 DEFINITIONS

- .1 Excavation classes: two classes of excavation will be recognized; common excavation and rock excavation.
 - .1 Rock: solid material in excess of 1.00 m³ and which cannot be removed by means of heavy duty mechanical excavating equipment with 1.15 m³ bucket. Frozen material not classified as rock.
 - .2 Common excavation: excavation of materials of whatever nature, which are not included under definitions of rock excavation.
- .2 Unclassified excavation: excavation of deposits of whatever character encountered in Work.
- .3 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 millimeters in any dimension.
- .4 Waste material: excavated material unsuitable for use in Work or surplus to requirements.
- .5 Borrow material: material obtained from locations outside area to be graded, and required for construction of fill areas or for other portions of Work.
- .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, ASTM C136: Sieve sizes to CAN/CGSB-8.2, CAN/CGSB-8.1.
 - .2 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 capable of being readily excavated.

1.3 ACTION AND INFORMATIONAL SUBMITTALS

- .1 Make submittals in accordance with Division 01 - Submittal Procedures.
- .2 Quality Control: in accordance with Division 01 - Quality Control:
 - .1 Submit condition survey of existing conditions as described in EXISTING CONDITIONS article of this Section.
 - .2 Submit for review by Departmental Representative proposed dewatering methods as described in PART 3 of this Section.
 - .3 Submit to Departmental Representative written notice at least 7 days prior to excavation work, to ensure cross sections are taken.

- .4 Submit to testing Departmental Representative results as described in PART 3 of this Section.
- .3 Preconstruction Submittals:
 - .1 Submit records of underground utility locates, indicating: location plan of existing utilities as found in field, clearance record from utility authority.
- .4 Samples:
 - .1 Submit samples in accordance with Division 01 - Submittal Procedures.
 - .2 Inform Departmental Representative at least 4 weeks prior to beginning Work, of proposed source of fill materials and provide access for sampling.
 - .3 Submit 70 kg samples of type of fill specified including representative samples of excavated material.
 - .4 Ship samples prepaid to Departmental Representative, in tightly closed containers to prevent contamination and exposure to elements.
 - .5 At least 4 weeks prior to beginning Work, inform Departmental Representative source of fly ash and submit samples to Departmental Representative.
 - .1 Do not change source of Fly Ash without written approval of Departmental Representative.

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- .1 Qualification Statement: submit proof of insurance coverage for professional liability.
- .2 Engage services of qualified Professional Engineer who is registered or licensed in Province of Alberta, Canada in which Work is to be carried out to design and inspect cofferdams, shoring, bracing and underpinning required for Work.
- .3 Do not use soil material until written report of soil test results are reviewed by Departmental Representative.
- .4 Health and Safety Requirements:
 - .1 Do construction occupational health and safety in accordance with Division 01 - Health and Safety Requirements.

1.5 WASTE MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSAL

- .1 Separate waste materials for reuse and recycling in accordance with Division 01 - 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 establish location and state of use of buried utilities and structures.
- .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 as indicated.
- .8 Where utility lines or structures exist in area of excavation, obtain direction of Departmental Representative before re-routing, or removing. 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 *Section 31 05 16 - Aggregate Materials* and the following requirements:
 - .1 Crushed, pit run or screened stone, gravel or sand.
 - .2 Gradations to be within limits specified when tested to ASTM C117, ASTM C136. Sieve sizes to CAN/CGSB-8.2, CAN/CGSB-8.1.
 - .3 Table:

Sieve Designation	% Passing	
	3-25 Granular Base	3-80 Granular Sub-base
80 000	-	100
63 000	-	-
25 000	100	46-85
20 000	82-97	40-81
16 000	70-93	32-76
12 500	60-86	30-70
10 000	52-79	-
8 000	-	-
6 300	-	-
5 000	35-64	25-50

Sieve Designation Micro-millimetres	% Passing	
	3-25 Granular Base	3-80 Granular Sub-base
2 500	--	-
2 000	24-50	19-42
1 250	19-43	15-38
630	14-34	10-32
400	10-27	7-27
315	9-24	6-24
160	6-18	3-18
80	2-10	0-10

- .2 Type 3 fill: selected material from excavation or other sources, approved by Departmental Representative for use intended, unfrozen and free from rocks larger than 80 mm, cinders, ashes, sods, refuse or other deleterious materials.
- .3 Unshrinkable fill: proportioned and mixed to provide:
 - .1 Maximum compressive strength of 0.4 MPa at 28 days.
 - .2 Maximum cement content of 25 kg/m³ with 40 fly ash replacement: to CSA-A3001, Type GU.
 - .3 Minimum strength of 0.07 MPa at 24 h.
 - .4 Concrete aggregates: to CSA-A23.1/A23.2.
 - .5 Cement: Type GU.
 - .6 Slump: 160 to 200 mm.

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 sediment and erosion control plan, specific to site, that complies with EPA 832/R-92-005.
- .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 in accordance with Division 02 - Selective Site Demolition.

3.3 PREPARATION/PROTECTION

- .1 Protect existing features in accordance with Division 01 - Temporary Barriers and Enclosures and applicable local regulations.
- .2 Keep excavations clean, free of standing water, and loose soil.

- .3 Where soil is subject to significant volume change due to change in moisture content, cover and protect to Departmental Representative approval.
- .4 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.
- .5 Protect buried services that are required to remain undisturbed.

3.4 STRIPPING OF TOPSOIL

- .1 Begin topsoil stripping of areas as directed by Departmental Representative after area has been cleared of brush, grasses, and weeds 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 as directed by Departmental Representative.
 - .1 Stockpile height not to exceed 2 metres and should be protected from erosion.
- .4 Dispose of unused topsoil as directed by Departmental Representative.

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 COFFERDAMS, SHORING, BRACING, AND UNDERPINNING

- .1 Maintain sides and slopes of excavations in safe condition by appropriate methods and in accordance with Health and Safety Act for the Province of Alberta.
 - .1 Where conditions are unstable Departmental Representative to verify and advise methods.
- .2 Obtain permit from authority having jurisdiction for diversion of water course.
- .3 Construct temporary Works to depths, heights, and locations as approved by Departmental Representative.
- .4 During backfill operation:
 - .1 Unless otherwise indicated on the drawings or approved by Departmental Representative, remove sheeting and shoring from excavations.
 - .2 Do not remove bracing until backfilling has reached respective levels of such bracing.
 - .3 Pull sheeting in increments that will ensure compacted backfill is maintained at elevation at least 500 mm above toe of sheeting.
- .5 When sheeting is required to remain in place, cut off tops at elevations as approved by the Departmental Representative.

- .6 Upon completion of substructure construction:
 - .1 Remove coverdams, shoring, and bracing.
 - .2 Remove excess materials from site and restore watercourses as approved by Departmental Representative.

3.7 DEWATERING AND HEAVE PREVENTION

- .1 Keep excavations free of water while Work is in progress.
- .2 Provide for approval and review by Departmental Representative 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 accordance with Division 01 - Environmental Procedures and 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 for initial cross sections to be taken.
- .2 Excavate to lines, grades, elevations and dimensions as indicated.
- .3 Remove concrete, walks, paving, demolished foundations and rubble, and other obstructions encountered during excavation in accordance with Division 02 - Selective Site Demolition.
- .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 15 metres of trench in advance of installation operations and do not leave open more than 15 metres 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 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 TRENCH AND FILL TYPES

- .1 Type 1: Backfill with native or imported fill material over bedding up to the designated subgrade or existing ground elevation, whichever is lower, in lifts not exceeding 300 mm when compacted. Compact each lift to the applicable requirements in 3.9.3, A to C.
- .2 Type 2: Backfill with specified granular fill over bedding up to existing ground elevation if lower than the designated subgrade depth, in lifts not exceeding 300 mm when compacted and compact each lift to the requirements in 3.9.3, D. If designated subgrade elevation is level with or lower than existing ground, place native or imported fill material as the topmost 300 mm lift compacted to applicable requirements in 3.9.3, A to C.
- .3 Type 3: Cut trench sides above bedding to slopes flat enough to allow road compaction equipment to operate transversely across the trench. Backfill with native or imported fill material over bedding up to the designated subgrade or existing ground elevation, whichever is lower, in lifts not exceeding 150 mm when compacted and compact each lift to requirements in 3.9.3, E.
- .4 Type 4: Backfill with fillcrete over bedding to designated subgrade elevation.

3.10 REQUIRED COMPACTION

- .1 Standard Proctor: the maximum dry density obtained from a plot of the dry densities of multiple specimens at various moisture contents, moulded and compacted in the laboratory according to ASTM D698 Method A.
- .2 One-Mould Proctor: the dry density of a single specimen moulded at the moisture content of field compaction and compacted in the laboratory according to ASTM D698 Method A.

- .3 Required trench backfill compaction, expressed as a minimum percent of standard proctor density or of one-mould proctor density, is defined below.

Required Compaction	Backfill Zone
A. Under existing or proposed road, alley, walk, street light or similar structure and within a distance from such structure equal to trench depth: Type 1	
100.0% of one-mould or 98.0% of standard	From designated subgrade elevation or existing ground level, whichever is lower, to 1.5 m below.
97.0% of one-mould or 95.0% of standard	More than 1.5 m below.
B. Adjacent to existing improved road, alley, walk, street light or similar structure and within a distance from the improvement equal to trench depth: Type 1	
92.0% of standard	Through full depth of trench.
C. Outside defined areas: Type 1	
90.0% of one-mould	Through full depth of trench.
D. Trench and backfill Type 2:	
95.0% of standard	Through full depth of trench.
E. Trench and backfill Type 3:	
100.0% of one-mould or 98.0% of standard	From designated subgrade elevation or existing ground level, whichever is lower, to 1.5 m below.
97.0% of one-mould or 95.0% of standard	More than 1.5 m below.

3.11 BEDDING AND SURROUND OF UNDERGROUND SERVICES

- .1 Place and compact granular material for bedding and surround of underground services as specified in *Section 33 14 16 - Site Water Utility Distribution Piping and Section 33 31 11 - Sanitary Sewerage Gravity Piping*.
- .2 Place bedding and surround material in unfrozen condition.

3.12 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 which is frozen or contains ice, snow or debris.
- .4 Place backfill material in uniform layers not exceeding 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 1 metre.
- .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.
- .6 Place unshrinkable fill in areas as indicated.
- .7 Consolidate and level unshrinkable fill with internal vibrators.
- .8 Install drainage system in backfill as directed by Departmental Representative.

3.13 RESTORATION

- .1 Upon completion of Work, remove waste materials and debris in accordance to Division 01 - Waste Management and Disposal, trim slopes, and correct defects as directed by Departmental Representative.
- .2 Replace topsoil as directed by Departmental Representative.
- .3 Reinstate lawns to elevation which existed before excavation.
- .4 Reinstate pavements and sidewalks disturbed by excavation to thickness, structure and elevation which existed before excavation.
- .5 Clean and reinstate 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