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## RECYCLEX® TRM PERMANENT TURF REINFORCEMENT MAT INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

Recyclex TRM may be installed by two different methods – “stand alone” or “soil filled”. Before installing Recyclex using the “stand alone” method, the seedbed shall be inspected by the Owner’s Representative to ensure it has been properly compacted and fine graded to remove any existing rills. It shall be free of obstructions, such as tree roots, projections such as stones, and other foreign objects. The contractor shall proceed when satisfactory conditions are present. After the area has been properly shaped, seeded, fertilized, and compacted, Recyclex shall be removed from the protective cover. Next, locate the start of the roll, making sure the roll is facing toward the area to be covered, and then roll out the TRM. The TRM shall be rolled out flat, even, and smooth without stretching the material then anchored to the subgrade. When using the “soil filled” method, the installation of Recyclex shall begin after the area has been inspected by the Owner’s Representative and satisfactory conditions are present. After the area has been shaped and compacted, roll out Recyclex. Next, Recyclex shall be anchored to the subgrade, soil filled, seeded, and fertilized. It is recommended that the soil filled Recyclex be covered with a Curlex® erosion control blanket to protect the seedbed and enhance germination.

**Slopes:** It is recommended the TRM be installed vertically on the slope; however, on short slopes it may be more practical to install horizontally across the width of the application. If more than one width is required, overlap the edges and secure the TRMs with a common row of staples. Recyclex shall be trenched at the head of the slope if the blanket cannot be extended three feet over the slope crest or if overland flow is anticipated from upslope areas.

**Channels:** Recyclex shall be centered to offset a seam in the middle of the waterway. They shall be installed in the same direction as the water flow. The adjoining TRMs shall be installed away from the center of channel and overlapped. Recyclex installation should continue up the side slopes three feet above the anticipated high water elevation. Flanks exposed to runoff, or sheet flow, must be trenched in. Recyclex shall be trenched at the start of channels and anchored using a staggered staple pattern at end of roll overlaps and end of roll terminations.

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