

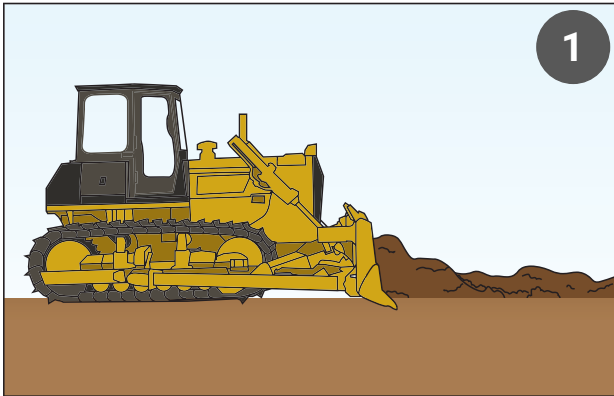


INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

**TNW, SEPARATION, FILTRATION, NON
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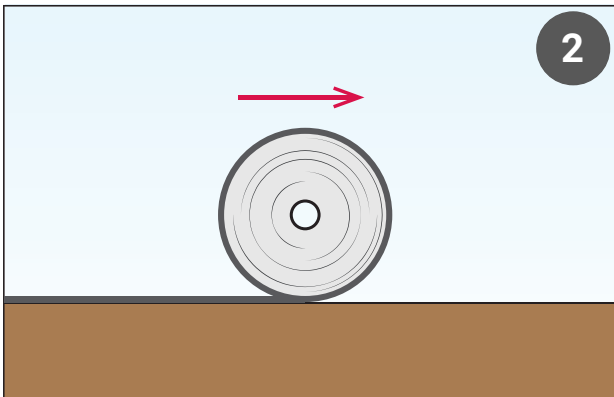
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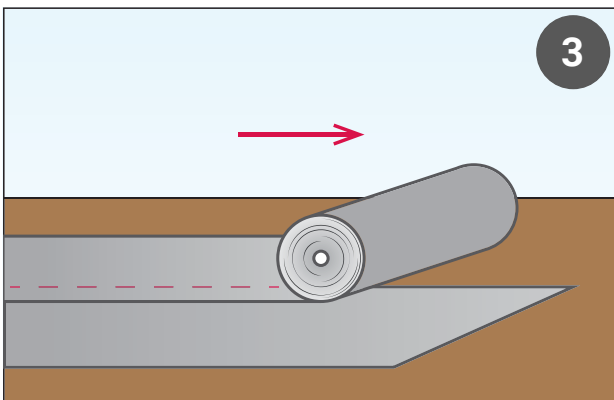
1. SUBGRADE PREPARATION

Level the subgrade to remove ruts, potholes etc. with a depth greater than 100mm.



2. LAYING THE GEOTEXTILE

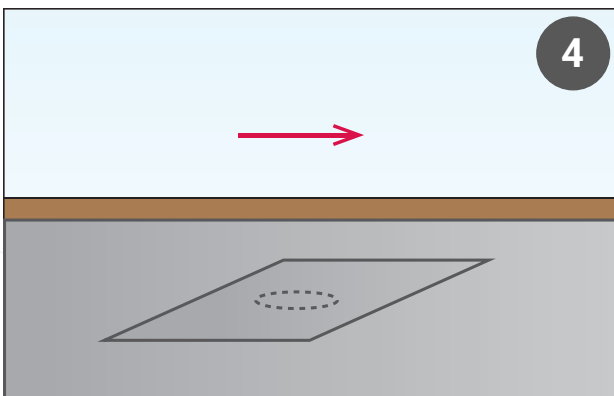
Roll out the geotextile over the prepared subgrade.



3. JOINTING OF GEOTEXTILE LAYERS

Jointing is made by overlapping of rolls by at least 300mm. Increase the overlap to at least 500mm if the subgrade is very uneven or soft.

A geotextile weight $> 200\text{g/m}^2$ allows welding. Welding of the laps is preferable over very low bearing-capacity subgrades. The geotextile is overlapped 100-200mm and heated with a propane burner or blowlamp to soften the fibres and allow them to fuse when pressed together. Care should be taken not to overheat the geotextile. It is sufficient for the person unrolling the overlapping layer to walk over the heated lap to weld the two sheets together. If the geotextile is damp and welding difficult, the overlap dimension should be increased to 500mm.

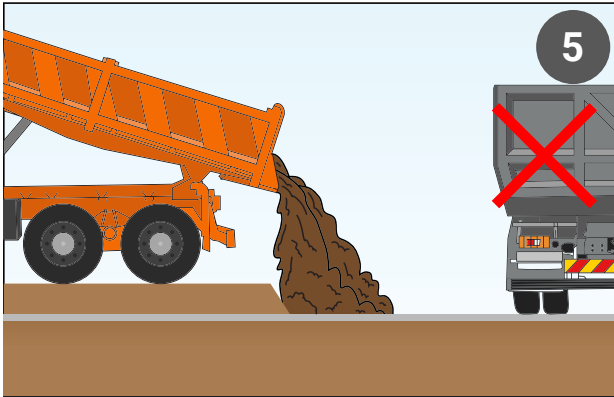


4. REPAIR OF DAMAGES (IF NECESSARY)

In the case of damages occurring during installation, these have to be covered with a piece of nonwoven of the same quality. Such patches can be cut to size with a knife or with scissors.

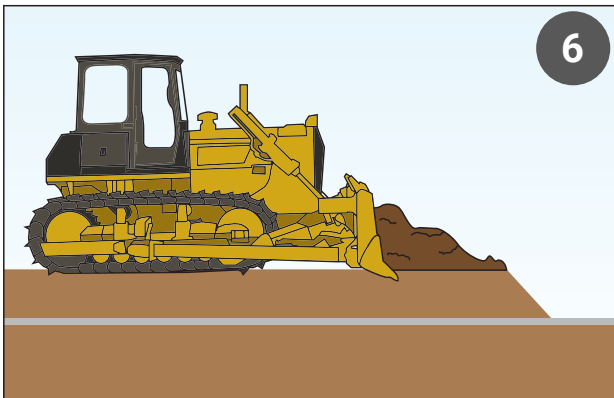
The cover must protrude by a minimum of 500mm over the edge of the damaged spot. The patches must be fixed in their position with fill material, or by welding.

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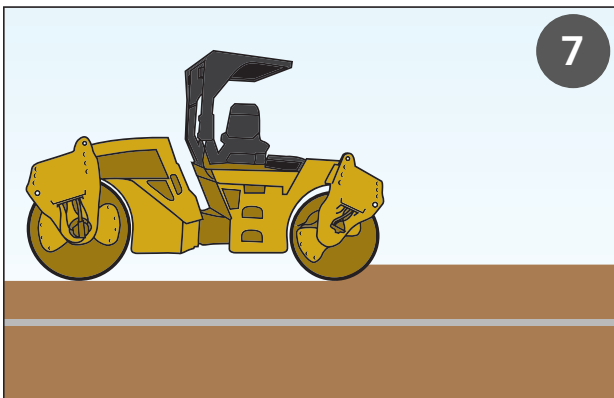
5. PLACING OF THE SUB-BASE MATERIAL

Trucks should not be driven directly over the geotextile: the aggregate should be back dumped. The required depth of the fill material depends on the bearing capacity of the subsoil but should not be less than 400 mm for low bearing-capacity soils.



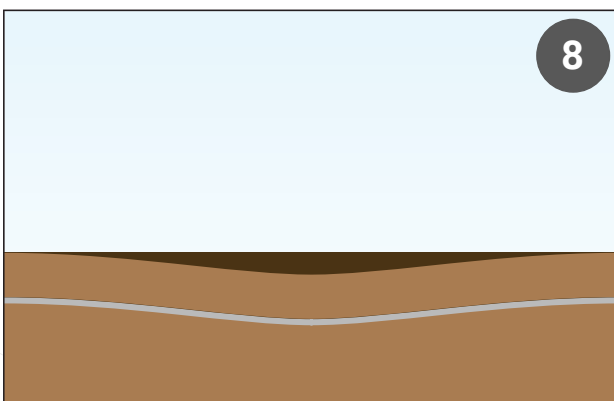
6. SPREADING

Spreading should be carried out with tracked plant (due to lower pressure soil contact-pressure).



7. COMPACTION

Compaction equipment employed and methodology adopted should clearly be suited to the ground conditions and type of fill used. Comprehensive guidance can be found in the UK Department of Transport, Volume 1 – Specification for Highway Works, Series 600 - Earthworks



8. Rut repair (if necessary)

If rutting occurs after a period of use, re-grade the sub-base layer by filling these ruts with fresh aggregate. Do not simply level out with a grader.