

## **JOBSITE REQUIREMENTS - 2021**

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### **GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Proper use and construction of the PermaEdge Bunker System (referred to as "the System") involves unique and specialized requirements that conform with patented and patent-pending processes. Beyond the simple concept of synthetic turf, the System employs the use of repurposed synthetic turf that meets specific compositional, dimensional, preparatory, construction, and safety requirements. It is the precise steps and combination of these requirements that form the System. At its core, the System is a method of constructing a retaining wall from recycled, sand-impregnated synthetic turf; supplied as multi-dimensional tiles; site-prepared and built employing a stacked, alternating layer approach; additionally secured with a compacted, dry-mixed, Portland Modified Soil back fill.

Reference Figure 1 for Typical PermaEdge Profile and Specification Notes

### WORKSITE/BUNKER PREPARATIONS

Prep work will vary depending on the nature of the project. If renovation or restyling, project bunkers should be stripped of surround grass (minimum 2 rows) to define the work area. Excavation of the bunker faces/slopes should follow design intent, with the desired angle of the finished revetted face translated to the excavated face angle. Target slope angles should range between 55-65 degrees for fairway bunkers and 65-75 degrees for greenside bunkers.

Prior to any wall building, it is critical to properly define and prepare the foundation (referred to as "The Bench"). For traditional revettments, the Bench should be level from side to side and front to back. It is strongly advisable to use a laser level for better accuracy. For flashed bunkers where the goal is to follow the contours of the bunker edge, the Bench should be level from front to back. A third method is called a "Stepped Bench" which is used when the design intent requires level, horizontal layers yet the sand is heavily flashed.

The bench/foundation needs to be compacted. Local ground conditions will effect the amount of compactive effort needed. Hand tampers/rammers or mechanical plate compactors may be used to achieve this result -a firm, smooth surface. The necessary width of the bench/foundation is approximately 1' (.30 meters). Many smaller compactor models have plate sizes that are between 12-14 inches (.3-.36 meters), which is acceptable. Plate sizes of 15" (.38 meters) inches or larger are too large for this application.

Reference Figure 2 for Bunker Excavation & Prep

### MODIFIED SOIL SPECIFICATION

The System will be comprised of Portland Modified Soil (referred to as "PMS") backfill. Typically the PMS backfill will take the form of Portland modified soil/aggregate, using contaminated sand from existing bunker surrounds (less than 35% of material passing a no. 200 Sieve) 5% by volume (19:1) of PMS will be ordinary Portland cement (OPC - complying with AASHTO M85), dry mixed on site either manually or by mechanical mixer to produce a uniform distribution. Approximately .65 cubic feet of backfill is needed for every square foot (face) of PermaEdge being constructed. In metric, this is 0.2 cubic meters per square meter of face. Approximately 3 lbs OPC is needed for every square foot (face) of PermaEdge being constructed. Approximately 15 kg per square meter (face) of PermaEdge being constructed.

Where soil/aggregate is not sourced from contaminated bunker sand, any other combination of gravel, stone, sand, silt, slag, sandshell, ash, waste, aggregate, crushed stone or crushed bitumen provided that organic content does not exceed 20% by dry weight and 100% passes a  $1\frac{1}{2}$  U.S. Sieve and a minimum 60% passes a #4 U.S. Sieve

Compaction of PMS backfill by 40 lb. (20kg) hand tamper/rammer, in layers no thicker than 2.5 inches (60mm) producing dry density of 90%. Compaction of dry backfill can be accelerated by application of small quantities of water applied at a rate of approximately 8 oz / sq. Ft. (2 liters/sq. m). This is equivalent to a rainfall of .07 inches (2mm) and can be simulated by one pass of a "watering can".

### CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS ESTIMATING

Determining material needs for PermaEdge construction requires an assessment of equipment on hand, sand/soil access, and OPC amounts. Many facilities and contractors will commonly have the equipment and supplies necessary. Some of the smaller supplies are typically purchased.

Equipment	Basic Mater	ials	Supplemental Materials
Mini Excavator w/ Knuckle Bucket	Rakes & Shovels	Work Gloves	Blades, Blades, Blades
Equipment w/ high flotation turf tires	Inclinometer	Cutting Knives/Blades	Knee Pads
Gas-Powered Plate Compactor (12-14")	5 gal. Buckets	Cutting Table	10' x 10' Canopy
9-12 cu ft Gas Concrete Mixer	Plywood	8" x 8" Hand Tamper	Tarps
Forklift (to unload material)	Water Hose	Saw Horses	6 foot poles (or old flag sticks)
	Ordinary Portland Cement (OPC)		

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Typically, one piece a facility will need to access is the portable gas concrete mixer (9-12 cu ft) which is normally available from a local equipment rental firm (approx. \$300/wk).

OPC required is 3 lbs. per square foot of face (approx. 15 kg per square meter). More simply put, OPC required is approximately 180 lbs. per PermaEdge pallet (62.5 sq. ft). OPC typically comes in 90 lb. bags, so conservatively speaking, a single 90 lb. bag will cover half a pallet.

These estimating considerations are exclusive turf reinstatement materials. The turf reinstatement measures use small amounts common materials (topsoil, wetting agents, growth regulators) and natural turf to complete the project. If a renovation, stripped material can be reserved for use in reinstatement detail, with top turf layer being purchased or cut from on-site nursery.

Reference Figure 3 - Turf Reinstatement

### **MOBILIZATION NOTES**

Excavation equipment needs will vary depending on the nature and scope of the project. Larger bunkers and larger projects would benefit from heavier excavation equipment yet require tighter control to properly define excavated slope, bench, and base. Depending on excavation requirements, additional hauling equipment may be needed to remove excess, excavated material.

PMS mixing is achieved at the bunker with a small portable mixer. A larger mixing effort can be established away from the working bunker, but is advisable only in specialized settings where new material is used versus excavated, reserved bunker sand/material.

Having a ready supply of cutting blades is critical. Blades should be replaced often to speed turf cutting/slicing/notching. Knee Pads are essential for the worker fitting turf to work for any extended stretches. Cutting table can be constructed out of a stack of pallets with plywood if saw horse aren't an option. The 10' canopy is useful in hot weather, to keep material damp when cutting and stacking.

### **PRODUCT HANDLING REQUIREMENTS**

This Tiles in the System are intended to remain in its shrink-wrapped condition until installed. Should the pallet wrapping be removed, the sand infill will loose its moisture. Handling the material in a dry state is not advised. During handling and slicing/cutting, material must remain in a wet/damp condition or sand can exit the profile. Handle with care. Pallets can be sprayed with water at the worksite to maintain proper moisture content. Reference Figure 3 for Pallet and Handling Specification

### LABOR EXPECATIONS

Labor requirements are build on training a 5-person team. The 5-person team is set-up with 2 persons that will be trained to a high skill level. The remaining 3 persons are defined more as basic skilled. As a group, however, each person is important is creating a continual "production pipeline". One person faltering in a basic labor task impacts productivity directly.

At the beginning, training establishes the base skills and team roles. For the first series of bunkers (5-6) that are built, it is typical to have the team reach approximately 70-80 square feet (6.5-7.5 square meters) of face per day. Subsequent bunkers will see the productivity grow where the productivity rate increase is driven by team cohesion and adherence to known PermaEdge methods.

Beyond quality and aethetics, a trained team will install PermaEdge much faster than an untrained team. Our studies prove this. On a large project of approximately 10,750 sq ft (1,000 sq m), a trained team will complete work roughly 250 man-days less than an untrained team. Even on very small projects of approximately 1,000 sq ft (93 sq m), a trained team will complete work roughly 20 man days less.

### **TECHNICAL SUPPORT & TRAINING**

The PermaEdge Technical Advisor role will be to train staff and manage construction of the first 2-3 bunkers, depending upon size, and set the high quality benchmark for the remainder. Beyond the start-up process, we can provide supplemental, long-term support, if desired.

We do not want to make the process overly complicated, but we hope that all golf clubs will understand that PermaEdge Bunker System relies very heavily on the quality of installation to retain its integrity. We all want the same thing: beautiful, low maintenance bunkers which contribute to better golf courses and higher member satisfaction.

### **ON-SITE ORGANIZATION & SET UP**

For greatest productivity, it is recommended that all materials needed for bunker construction are brought to the bunker. Once a bunker is complete, tools and materials can be transferred to the next bunker. This includes all cutting and mixing.

When the PermaEdge Technical Advisor is on-site, team members will be instructed, in detail, on proper set-up routines and guidelines that will streamline work and improve productivity. We always stress that an organized, clean and tidy work area produces great results and the least disturbance to the area.



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Base Soil to be Excavated Mini-Excavator w/ Knuckle Bucket to Excavate. Reserve Soil for use in PMS backfill. Restyling may require heavy equipment.

Excavate and reserve for use in PMS backfill

2-3 Strips removed for Work Area. Can be reserved for use

in Finishing/Natural Turf Reinstatment Spec.

Uptumed layer of Natural Turf as Intermediate Layer Prior to Finish Soil and Final Turf Layer.

5% Type II Portland by Weight in a 1:19 Ratio PMS - Portland Modified Soil

Finish Soil - Natural Turf Reinstatement Topsoil as Amended to Include Wetting Agent

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FIGURE 3

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# PermaEdge Design Specification —

















Finish Turf

# Notes

Aftercare is essential, during natural turf establishment and will vary according to weather.

Turf must not be allowed to dry completely.

Wetting agent (spray applied) and growth regulator (i.e.

Primo Maxx) to be applied as required.

Alternative detail should be used In hot climates where creeping grasses (E.G. Bermuda) dominate.













PermaEdge Design Specification

**Construction Specs & Notes** 

Standard or Single Setback



Portland Modified Soil

Bunker Sand

# Notes

should then be placed behind the Anchor Tile layer, corrected prior to the addition of new layers. PMS small, skim coat or bunding layer of PMS approximately smoothed and compacted. After placing of the first layer, fit should be checked and Bunker curvatures should be transitioned smoothly. Anchor Tile. This layer should be placed on top of the bunker contours. Tiles should be placed tightly together. bunding layer and carefully fit to follow the desired even, level layer. The first Tile layer to be placed is the .25" (5mm) thick. This layer should be smoothed to an The System of building the retaining wall begins with a

PMS. again, followed with placing, smoothing and compacting will be placed individually, with the placing, smoothing be followed with placing, smoothing and compacting of and Anchor Tiles in a 4:1 ratio to build the wall to the of PMS after the layer. Subsequent layers of Fascia Tiles of Fascia Tiles, another layer of Anchor Tiles are placed, and compaction of PMS after each layer. After 4 layers Following the Anchor Tile layer, 4 layers of Fascia Tiles desired height. Each layer of Tiles placed should always

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Double Setback



