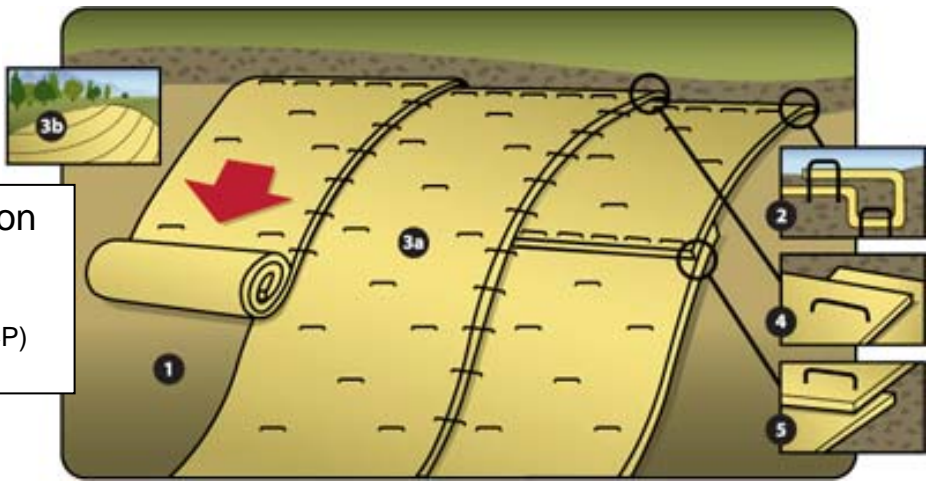


Installation of Erosion Mat on Slopes
 (rolled erosion control product – RECP)



1. Prepare soil before installing rolled erosion control products (RECPs), including any necessary application of lime, fertilizer, and seed.
2. Begin at the top of the slope by anchoring the RECPs in a 6” (15 cm) deep x 6” (15 cm) wide trench with approximately 12” (30 cm) of RECPs extended beyond the up-slope portion of the trench. Backfill and compact the trench after stapling. Apply seed to compacted soil and fold remaining 12” (30 cm) portion of RECPs back over seed and compacted soil. Secure RECPs over compacted soil with a row of staples/stakes spaced approximately 12” (30 cm) apart across the width of the RECPs.
3. Roll the RECPs (A.) down or (B.) horizontally across the slope. RECPs will unroll with appropriate side against the soil surface. All RECPs must be securely fastened to soil surface by placing staples/stakes in appropriate locations as shown in the staple pattern guide. When using the DOT System[®], staples/stakes should be placed through each of the colored dots corresponding to the appropriate staple pattern.
4. The edges of parallel RECPs must be stapled with approximately 2” to 5” (5 cm to 12.5 cm) overlap, depending on RECP type.
5. Consecutive RECPs spliced down the slope must be placed end over end (shingle style) with an approximate 3” (7.5 cm) overlap. Staple through overlapped area, approximately 12” (30 cm) apart across entire width of the RECP.

NOTE: In loose soil conditions, the use of staple or stake lengths greater than 6” may be necessary to properly secure the RECPs.

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TYPE OF EROSION CONTROL	SLOPE																		REMARKS
	6:1 or flatter (7)			4:1			3:1			2.5:1			2:1			1:1			
	SLOPE LENGTH		SLOPE LENGTH	SLOPE LENGTH		SLOPE LENGTH	SLOPE LENGTH		SLOPE LENGTH	SLOPE LENGTH		SLOPE LENGTH	SLOPE LENGTH		SLOPE LENGTH	SLOPE LENGTH			
	0 - 30'	30 - 60'	0 - 120'	0 - 30'	30 - 60'	60 - 120'	0 - 30'	30 - 60'	60 - 120'	0 - 30'	30 - 60'	60 - 120'	0 - 30'	30 - 60'	60 - 120'	0 - 30'	30 - 60'	60 - 120'	
Seed with properly anchored mulch																			
Single netted light duty (WisDOT Class I Type A) erosion mat																			
Light duty single netted 100% biodegradable (WisDOT Urban Type A) erosion mat	■	■		■	■														Use only 100% biodegradable anchors for urban mats.
Light duty double netted 100% biodegradable (WisDOT Urban Type B) erosion mat	■	■		■	■		■	■	■										Use only 100% biodegradable anchors for urban mats.
Bonded Mulch (WisDOT Type A Soil Stabilizer)	■	■		■	■		■	■	■										May be applied over Class III Type B, C, or D mats in place of erosion control revegetation mats.
Polymer (WisDOT Type B Soil Stabilizer)	Used in conjunction with other BMPs effective up to a 2:1 slope. Not effective in sand. When used alone effective up to a 3:1 slope. Stand alone use appropriate for earthen stock piles, temporary, and late season applications																		
Double netted light duty (WisDOT Class I Type B) erosion mat													⊗						
Sod													⊗						
Medium duty coconut erosion mat (WisDOT Class II Type B or C)																			
Sod reinforced with a double netted jute (WisDOT Class II Type A) erosion mat													⊗						Sod stakes required. Two bid items needed.
Heavy duty synthetic erosion control revegetation mat (WisDOT Class III Type A)																			Germination may be a problem with Class III Type A mats
Riprap																			Angle of repose must be considered, see FDM Chapter 13.
Heavy duty synthetic turf reinforcement (WisDOT Class III Type B or C) mat																			A soil stabilizer or ECRM will be required for initial erosion protection.
Heavy duty synthetic turf reinforcement (WisDOT Class III Type D) mat																			A soil stabilizer or ECRM will be required for initial erosion protection.
Slope paving or grouted riprap	■	■		■	■		■	■	■		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	Consider clear zone requirements. Only use in limited circumstances such as overflow areas near bridges.

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Benches	Consider benches when cuts exceed 20', bench at approximately 15' vertical intervals to collect and drain water. Treat benches as channels (ditches). Adjust elevations to provide drainage. Consider flumes at transitions.
Intercepting embankments	Used to intercept runoff from abutting lands. Flumes may be necessary to direct runoff.
Silt fence	Used at toe of slopes to intercept and detain small amounts of sediment. Use only WisDOT approved silt fence as listed in the PAL.
Temporary ditch checks or Erosion bales	Used at toe of slopes to intercept and detain small amounts of sediment.
Slope drains/flumes	May be necessary on slopes (see channel matrix for design guidance).
Sediment traps	Used to trap sediment laden runoff. Could be used at the inlet or outlet end of slope drain.

KEY:

Not applicable. Use in conjunction with other BMPs:



Effective range of device for Sandy or Clayey Soil:
Device applicable, may not be cost effective:



* Soils that are not sandy should be treated as clay soils.

ECRM - Erosion control revegetation mat. All Class I and II mats are ECRMs.

TRM - Turf reinforcement mat.

FDM - WisDOT Facilities Development Manual

PAL - See Note 5

NOTES

- 1) Cost shall be a consideration in the selection of these devices.
- 2) Designers should review FDM Chapter 10 prior to selection of erosion mats.
- 3) Install intercepting ditches to limit slope lengths to 15' vertical intervals. (See FDM Chapter 10)
- 4) Refer to FDM Chapter 10 for any slopes exceeding the limits shown.
- 5) Approved materials for erosion products are referenced from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Erosion Control Product Acceptability Lists (PAL), found at the web site:
- 6) On steeper slopes that require a higher class mat, use the appropriate lower class mat or seed and mulch for the first 30 ft to 60 ft of the slope.
- 7) Unless project conditions require otherwise, seed and mulch all slopes that are flatter than a 5% grade, regardless of length. If practicable, bench the slopes.
- 8) Effective erosion control involves minimizing the amount of time soil is exposed and the selection of a combination of practices, and not reliance on just one practice.