
Standard Turf Specification C100.02



DESIGN STATEMENT

Turf is an effective ground cover material which reduces stormwater run-off and erosion, helps retain water in the soil and offers ecological benefits.

Use of turf in nature strips provides additional greenery in the street and reinforces a residential character. In parks, turf provides a useful ground area for picnics and passive recreation as well as a creating a cooling effect. Turf also acts as a suitable material for many active recreation sports.

Irrigation can be provided upon request.

APPLICABLE LOCATIONS

Merri-bek open space including conservation areas, parks, playspaces, reserves and nature strips.

COUNCIL STANDARD DRAWING

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CROSS REFERENCE DOCUMENT

- N/A.

STANDARD SPECIFICATION

Preferred lawn species is Kikuyu, over-sown with a winter Rye for establishment. Preferred product is instant turf.

Hydroseeding is generally suitable only for reinstatement of very small areas and only if regular watering during establishment is guaranteed. This temperate zone grass offers minimal maintenance, requiring only mowing and supplemental irrigation in summer, (the latter depends on location whether needed).

SUPPLIER

Varies.

MAINTENANCE

Parks: thoroughly soak newly planted turf upon installation and then periodically, depending on season and weather conditions. Repair dead patches and remove weeds. Provide slow release fertiliser every 3 months in Autumn and Spring. Mow 4-6 weeks following installation then periodically depending on season or when grass reaches a 30mm typical sward height.

Property owners: Nature strips by private properties are maintained by the adjacent private property owner. Responsibilities include mowing, watering and weeding.

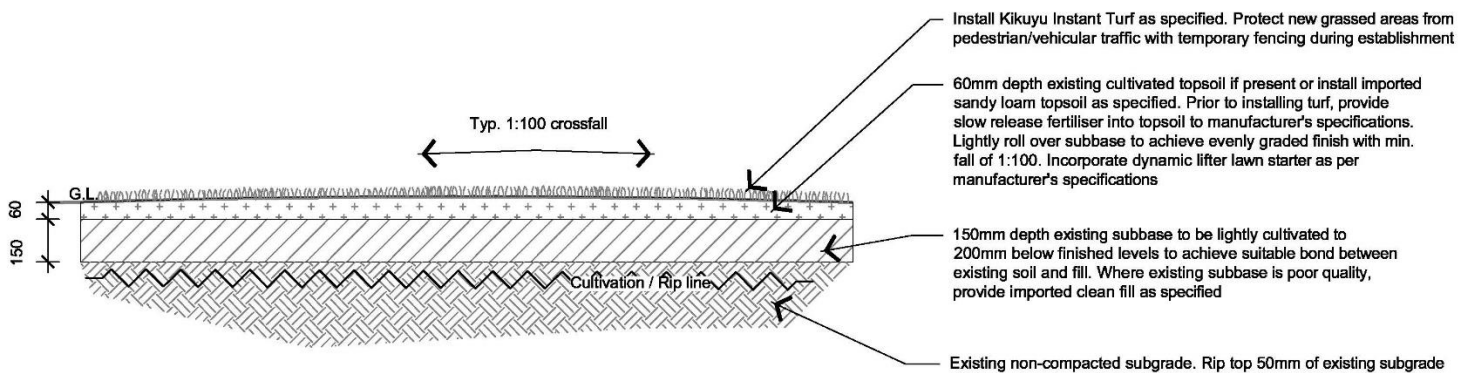
GENERAL NOTES

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Notes:

- This detail is applicable for both lawn reinstatement as well as provision of new lawn areas.
- Ensure grades are no greater than 1:4 to allow for mower accessibility.
- Install instant turf in preference to hydroseeding, unless reinstating very small areas. Hydroseeding is only acceptable if the Contractor can guarantee regular watering.
- Preferred grass species to be Kikuyu. This can be oversown with Rye to help establishment.
- At installation, apply fertiliser (Sir Walter Fertiliser or similar approved) to manufacturer's recommended installation rates.
- Soil conditions must meet current Australian Standards for Landscaping and Garden Use. Remove and dispose off-site any debris or particle larger than 50mm. This includes rocks, paving material, tree roots, disused infrastructure or weeds. Dispose any waste material to an approved waste site. If particles are > 50mm, the Contractor is to sieve out particles prior to use or use imported topsoil instead.
- Where topsoil quality is inadequate or insufficient, install an approved sandy loam lawn topsoil.



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