


## LANDSCAPE AND MAINTENANCE SPECIFICATION

All operations to comply with appropriate British Standards unless otherwise stated on drawings or in the specification.

## general treatment of planting areas

Ensure that planting areas are protected from consolidation by heary construction plant.
For work near a retained tree: Refer to BS 5837 Trees in relation to design, demolition \& construction - Recommendations- Section 9 (Appendix C).
Damage to Plants to be Retained: If a plant is to be retained is damaged, the plant is to be repaired or replaced by the contractor at their own expense. "Damaged" means The destuction of a plant the breaking of branches or roots
The debarking of frunks or imbs
The contamination of root zone soi or plants from drift sprays, dust or contaminated storm water
The damage by the placement of fill or buiding mateials within the canopy peimeter or oterwise

## 1) Ground preparation and soll specification

Subsoil:
Sefore receiving topsoil, subsoil shall be losened using appropriate equipment to a depth of 300 mm . This shall be done when the subsoil is dry so as to encourage soil shattering All stones and other objects larger than 50 mm shall be removed from the prepared surface. The loosened subsoil shall be roughly levelled so that an even depth of topsoil can be
opsoil (To Comply with British Standard 3882:2015 - Specification for Topsoil):
Topsoil (To Comply we Bulish Standarar 3802:2015 - Specificaction for Topsoil):
Ioss of physicial quality, diftusion of oxygen and biologicala activity.
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Any stockiling shall not exceed 1.5 metres high and shal lve sited so as to avoid risk of muddy water run-off into a watercourse, not exceeding 1.5 metres high
The site of the stockpile will be prepared in advance by grading, removing rubbish and ensuring no tuel or chemicalls were previously stored in area.
Topsoil shall be lightly consolidated in layers not exceeding 150 mm using track laying
oii shall not be handled in in inaporopriate conditions of weather and soil moisture i.
During or shortly after heayy preceipitataion
When the ground is frozen or covered by snow
When there are pools of water on the grounds surface
opsoil shall be laid to the following minimum deptic
150 mm below nen grass
300 m to rear gardens
400 mm beneath new shrub areas
Finished levels, ater seetlement, shall be as follows.
25 mm above adjacent paving from new grassed areas and non-mulched shrub bees
75 m below adiacent paving and
2) GROUND conditioning
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3) PLANT AND PLANTING SPECIFICATION
anting to be undertaken in accordance with the following British Standard Specifications and Code of Practice
S 3936: Part 11992 Nursery stock (Speecification for tr tees ands shrul
BS 3936: Part 4 1984 Nursery stock (Speefification for forest trees)
SS 3936. Part 101990 Nusser stock (Specification for ground cover plants)
BS 4428 : 1989 Recommendations for general landscaping operations.

Plant Stock
Plant stock to be supplied in accordance with the size and description specified ion the plant schedule and position indicated on the most current revision of the planting plan.
Plant stock shall be healthy, vigorous, free from pests and diseases and suitably hardened off for the proposed situation of planting and lifed at a time in accordance with good nursery practice. Stock shall have a well-formed fibrous root system and be free from perennial weeds. The form of trees shall be in accordance with BS 3936: Part 1:1992, section ,
Plant Handling:
All plant materials shall be lifted, bundled, labelled, packeged, transported, temporarily stored and planted in accordance with the procedures and methods illustrated in the Tree Planting:
 Trees so be pif plated odiowing supplier recommendations. Minin
rees to be double staked using two stakes ( 75 mm diai.), driven into ground 300 mm below bottom of pit. Base of pit to be filled with 200 mm of $3: 1 \mathrm{mix}$ of approved topsoil $/$
compost.
Trees to be centrally located and stem placed in an upright position. Pit to be backilled with a $3: 1$ mix of an approved topsoil / compost. Backill fimly to 50 mm above previous ground level to allow for settlement. Stakes to be saw leave 600 mm above soil level.
Water in same day with $50-80$ litres per tree, dependant on soil conditions
All works shall be carried out to the minimum standard according to BS 3936: 1992 Part 1 Nursery Stock. Specification for Trees and Shrubs. BS 4043:1989 Recommendations for transplanting root-balled trees.

Staking:
Stake all trees with double short stakes. Stakes to be round timber with chamfered tops. Position stake close to tree on windward side and drive verically at least 400 mm into ottom of pit before planting. Backiling: consolidate material around stake. Height of stakes. cut to approximately one third of the tree height above ground level, taking care no
odamage the bark. Ties: Hessian. Tying: secure tree firmly but not rigidy to stake with at least 2 ties within $255 m$ of tho of stake. lo damage the bark. Ties: Hessian. Tying: secure tree firmly but not rigidly to stake with at least 2 ties within 25 mm of top of stake.

Mulch:
shrub beds shall be spread with a medium grade bark mulch to a settled depth of 75 mm . Mulch to be free from fines, weeds, disease and contaminant
Ornamental shrub planting:
to be set out carefilly and evenly over indicated areas. Remove plants from pots and plastic containers, plant and water in thoroughly. Shrubs shall be individually pit planted in
prepared $\begin{aligned} & \text { pized to accommodate full spread of roots. Plants shall be evenly spaced over the planting area. Firm backill by treading, ensuring the ground is not overly compacted and }\end{aligned}$ its sized to accommodate full spre

New formal hedges - Consistent in species, cultivar and clone to ensure a uniform hedge. To be planted in a previous prepared planting bed 0.6 metre wide. Planted to be entrally in a single row at a density of 5 plants per metre. Ensure plants are planted Prune back to a height of 1 metres.

Mixed native hedgerows- To be planted in a previous prepared planting bed 1 metre wide. Planted in double staggered rows at 0.4 m spacings of plants and 0.3 m offset of the wo rows. Ensure plants are planted to the correct depth to correspond to the soil mark on main stems.
Prune back to a height of 2 metres
Turfed Areas:
 a dense sward containing a mixuture of $25 \%$ perennial ryegrass, $55 \%$ fescues and $20 \%$ smooth staked meadow grass. This mix is easy to maintain and will recover well from
genera wear.
Tuff to be laid in suitable weather conditions on a prepared bed with no weeds and a suitable slow release fertiliser applied to bed prior to loying. Turf to be watered regulary until it is well established.
Rear gardens:
Subsoi to to be prepared to a depth of 300 mm as per ground preparation and soil specification.
Subsoil to be preparea to a depth of 300 mm as per ground preparation and soiil specification. .
Public open spaces with existing grass shall be overseeded with Germinal AberSustair mix, or s similar approved. Sowing to be taken between March and October. existing grass to be mown first to approx 25 mm . Area to then be raked to break up soil and remove dead grass. Fertilise at $50 \mathrm{gms} / \mathrm{s} q \mathrm{~m}, 10-14$ days prior to seeding, sow at rate of

Wilfflower Seeding:
seed mix shall be Germinal WFG20 Eco Species Rich Lawn, or similar approved. Sowing to be taken between March and October.
Topsoil shall be cultivated to a fine tith, be free from weeds, stones and other debris. Sow a t rate of $10 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{m} 2$ and lighty rake. Fist cut to be undertaken 6 weeks after sowing or when reaches $70-100 \mathrm{~mm}$

## 4) maintenance and management

Plant stock and soft landscaped areas shall be maintained for a period of five years via the developers' agent or appointed Management Company during which time the following operations shall be carried out:
Regular visists
Uothtly maintenance visits to include the following operations

- Hand weed planting beds
- Remove litter
- Re-firming plant stock to ensure the new planting is all planting to upright positions

Adjust stakes and ties as necessary
Prune plant stock as required to encourage good form
Check al llant stock and report signs of pests, disease, death and damage
Mulch:
Watering:
ant stock to receive the following quantities of water:
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Heavy Standard tres: } & 35 \text { litres each month between April and September } \\ \text { Selected Standard trees: } \\ 30 & \text { iltres each month between April and September }\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Selected Standarat Irees. } \\ \text { Shrubs and transplants: } & \quad 30 \text { litres each month between April and September } \\ 5\end{array}$
Watering to be undertaken during the first 24 month as needed to maintain plant heath.
Grass Maintenance:

## Wildfower Maintenance:

Widflower areas shall be cut 2 times a year during the late spring and after the flower season (September/ October) to maintan a sward of aproximately $40-70 \mathrm{~mm}$. The clippings Shall be left in situ for 3 days to allow seed drop, then removed to prevent nutrient build up

## WFG20 Eco Species Rich Lawn Maintenance

Autumn Sown: during the first year: first cut shall be early July, then monthly during August, September and October to maitain a sward of approximately $70-100 \mathrm{~m}$
hereater.: Shar be cut 2 times a year mid--Juy to early September to maintain a sward of approximately $70-100 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Spring Sown: during the first year. first cut shall be mid-September, then again during October to maintain a sward of approximately $70-100 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Thereatier shal be cut 1 time a year mid-July toearyy September or a required leaving at least fornight between cuts to maintain a sward of approximately $70-100 \mathrm{mn}$
The clippings shall be lett in in situ for 3 d days to allow seed drop, then removed to prevent nutrient build up.
New treelshrub planting: maged. or diseased branches annually between Octoper and January to avoid the bird nesting season. Replace dead / dying stock in winte

Plant replacements:
All dead, dying and vandalised plant stock shall be replaced, at the landscape contractor's expense, at the end of each growing season throughout the maintenance period.
Check all plant stock and report signs of pests, disease, death and damage
Mulch:
Top up mulch levels (using matching material surrounding trees and within beds to 75 mm at the end of the maintenance period.
Watering to be undertaken during the first 24 monthts as needed to maintain plant health.
Grass Maintenance:
Grass shall be cut throughout the growing season to maintain a sward of approximately 38 mm . Shall be edged, watered as necessary and clippings removed.
Wildfiower Maintenance:
drop. then removed to prevent nutrient build up.









