



TURF ESTABLISHMENT

In order to ensure that turf is installed and established on building sites in a timely manner to prevent erosion, the City of North Mankato has required the following procedures for the establishment of turf:

1. Interior lots shall be sodded from the roadside edge or the unpaved right-of-way to the back corners of the furthest-most building.
2. Corner lots with two sides of the lot adjacent to the street; in the “front yard”, sod shall be installed from the roadside edge or the unpaved right-of-way in the front of the building to the back corners of the furthest-most building. Sod shall also be installed on the street side-yard within the boulevard commencing at the back corner of the further-most building to the rear lot line.
3. All areas that required sediment control during construction and along any portions of the lot that adjoin drainage easements shall be sodded except where alternative rapid stabilization is authorized by the Director of Public Works.
4. Any remaining disturbed areas not mentioned above shall be seeded or sodded.
5. Sediment control must be maintained throughout the construction period until new vegetation is established.
6. Turf slopes in excess of 3:1 are prohibited.
7. The builder/homeowner is required to install sod in the minimum required areas within sixty (60) days after temporary occupancy. It is the responsibility of the owner to establish turf in the areas where sod is not required. Establishment means a thirty (30) day growth period after sod has been installed.
8. If occupancy has been granted between October 31st and April 15th the homeowner will then be given 60 days following April 15th to install sod in the minimum required areas. It is the responsibility of the owner to establish turf in the areas where sod is not required. Establishment means a thirty (30) day growth period after sod has been installed.
9. The City will collect a surety for turf establishment before any building permit is issued. The surety will be returned when the turf requirements have been approved. If these requirements are not met, the surety will be used to either complete the grading of the lot consistent with the grading plan and/or complete the installation and establishment of the sod and seed.
10. A 6-inch minimum separation from sod/landscaping to the bottom of siding is required.