



**5.34 Placement or Removal of Fill Material** [Adopted, 7/22/91]

Definition of Fill Material: Fill material shall mean clean soil material, rocks, bricks, and cured concrete, which are not mixed with other solid or liquid waste, and which are not derived from an ore mining activity.

The purpose of this provision is to control erosion, protect wetlands, minimize storm water runoff and minimize other nuisances associated with filling and other earth moving activities. It is intended that this provision shall apply to both approved construction for which a building permit has been issued, as well as activities that do not require a building permit.

a. The following guidelines shall govern the placement or removal of fill material in all districts: [Amended, 5/28/96]

1. Normal excavation or removal of fill for which a building permit has been issued, no permit required

2. 0 - 15 cubic yards, no permit required

3. 16 - 1000 cubic yards, CEO permit required

4. over 1000 cubic yards, Planning Board permit required

b. Erosion and sedimentation plans shall be based on the following principles when applicable:

1. Stripping of vegetation, regrading, and other development shall be done in such a way as to minimize erosion.

2. Whenever feasible, natural vegetation shall be retained, protected, and supplemented.

3. The disturbed area and the duration of exposure shall be kept to a practical minimum.

4. Disturbed soil shall be stabilized as quickly as practicable.

5. Temporary vegetation or mulching shall be used to protect exposed critical areas during development.

6. The final vegetation and mechanical erosion control measures shall be installed as soon as practical on the site. Ground cover plantings shall be used as appropriate.

7. Until the disturbed area is stabilized, sediment and the runoff water shall be trapped by the use of debris basins, sediment basins, silt traps or other acceptable methods.

8. Whenever sedimentation is caused by stripping vegetation, regrading, or other development, it shall be the responsibility of the developer causing such sedimentation to remove it from all adjoining surfaces, drainage systems, or water courses, and to repair any damage at his expense as quickly as possible.

9. Fill shall not be placed within ten (10) feet of drainage ways, streams or wetland areas without approval by the Planning Board.

10. Roadways and other public areas shall be kept clean of mud, dirt, debris or other material that may constitute a hazard or nuisance to the public.

11. Adequate traffic control shall be provided on public roadways to ensure safe access and passage during construction activities.