

SECTION 404 TOPSOIL

1. DESCRIPTION

Provide and place topsoil at the locations shown in the Contract Documents.

2. MATERIALS

Topsoil is the top six inches of field or pasture loam and has a good supply of humus along with a high degree of fertility. Good topsoil has a loose crumbly structure.

The Contractor-furnished site (for excavation of the topsoil) is subject to the environmental clearance provisions noted in the latest version of **KDOT SECTION 107**.

3. CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

Before excavating topsoil from the Contractor-furnished site, remove all grass, weeds, brush, stumps and other objectionable material from the site. Topsoil handled too wet or soggy is not acceptable. Soils from ditch bottoms, drained ponds or eroded areas are not acceptable. Soils supporting growth of noxious weeds, as defined by The Kansas Seed Law, or undesirable weeds, are not acceptable.

Spread the topsoil at the locations and to the depths shown in the Contract Documents. Do not harm existing plants or structures when placing and spreading the topsoil. Do not spill the topsoil on the roadway. Do not handle or spread topsoil when it is wet enough to form a 1 ½ inch soil ball without easily breaking.

Use only pulverized topsoil where 3 inches or less of topsoil is required.

After the topsoil is spread over the designated areas, remove any stones, roots, large clods (greater than 6 inches) and other objectionable material.

4. TEST METHODS

None Specified.

5. PREQUALIFICATION

None Specified.

6. BASIS OF ACCEPTANCE

Visual inspection by the Engineer for compliance with this specification.

7. MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

Provided the project is constructed essentially to the lines and grades shown in the Contract Documents, the quantities shown in the contract documents will be the quantities for which payment will be made.

Payment for "Topsoil" at the contract unit price is full compensation for the specified work.

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