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## HOW TO INSTALL OUR DIY ARTIFICIAL GRASS

### Mark Out Area

Mark out area to be covered by using an outdoor spray can marker. Carefully consider the dimensions of the lawn (i.e. width of roll) and determine the best way to lay the artificial grass to minimise wastage and the number of joins required.

### Edges

You will need hard edges all around the area to retain the sub base we have **Linkedge aluminium edging** that is very suitable for this job.

### Prepare Base

You will need to remove 75mm to allow for the installation of the sub-base. Consideration needs to be given to the height of the surrounds (e.g. paving, pathways, timber edging etc) to ensure the finished product is set at the optimum height.

### Sub Base

You will need to spread and compact approx. 75mm crusher dust (blue metal dust) ensuring (if possible) that you create a slight fall away from the building. Should you be laying turf on a road verge and wish to park cars on it then increase this base to 100-120mm. We can supply this and everything else you need for your artificial grass installation.



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## **Laying Artificial Grass**

Calculate the most practical way to lay the turf, giving consideration to minimising off cuts and also minimising the number of joins required. Again, keep in mind you will always need to run the grain of the turf in the same direction.

## **Cut the DIY Artificial Grass**

Cut off excess material so it is easier to work with. Always use a sharp blade in your Stanley knife! Check regularly that the turf is still positioned in its intended place.

Now, trim turf more exactly with straight lines wherever possible. It is recommended to cut the turf on the back.

## **Joins**

You need to be particularly careful to ensure that joins are fitted very neatly together along the length of the joins. Once you have accurately positioned the Artificial Grass (without tape or glue), hold the pieces secure by using ground pins or laying bags of sand on the pieces.

Lay back the edges of both pieces and place the contact joining tape under the centre of the join. Start removing the covering over the contact adhesive and pull it out between the two pieces of turf. If the turf has not moved, then the edges will go back together as they were and adhere into the contact adhesive. Now tread on the join to make sure it has good contact. Ensure the join does not move by nailing on both sides of the join at 150mm centres.



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## **In-filling**

Prior to infilling the turf with our special kiln dried silica sand and then rubber crumbs (if required), brush the surface of the turf against the grain to lift the yarn. This will make it easier to install the infill. Use a drop spreader to spread a fine layer of Kiln Dried Silica sand across surface of lawn. Broom the sand into the surface before spreading another layer of sand and brushing in. Continue this process until the prescribed amount of sand (approx. 10kg / sqm) has been installed.

Give surface a final brush or blow with garden vac to ensure fill level is consistent then hose down your new lawn on the “spray setting” to settle any static.

Clean up around the work area and **Congratulations!!! Your installation is now complete!**