

## MANUAL

## BEST PRACTICES

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### Installation



Prepare your beds so they are smooth topped

- Roll out the WG on a calm morning or evening
- Do not install on windy day (if you must - then see below Tip)
- Place a couple of stones at the start of the roll to hold in place, then slowly roll out 4 ft at a time
- Shovel a good amount (1" deep x 6" wide) of soil all along the edges to hold the WeedGuard edges in place



If you must install when it's windy > spray a **good amount of water** on the WG as you roll it out, this will hold it down on the soil and keep the wind from blowing it



Extreme WIND > before event > place a line of soil 4" x 36" ACROSS the bed every 6-8'



Extreme MANY DAYS OF RAIN > the WG may lose integrity but you'll still get weed control

Optional methods to hold the mulch in place

- Straw, Sand, Metal Pins (call us for how to use these)
- Wood 2 x 4; pipe, bricks or stones ok for a week or so but not recommended for longer

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### Planting



Cut/make plant holes when the WG is dry

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#### ***To make holes for plants by hand***

- ⇒ Consider using a black marker to mark on the WG the location of your plants
- Use a very sharp box knife to cut an "X" in the WG
- ⇒ Make the "X" large enough (3" x 3") to work your fingers within the "X"
- Fold back flaps to open up planting area, place transplants, tuck soil around transplants
- Fold flaps back down, place soil around flaps

Optional planting methods

- Dibble > the point and cone design makes a clean hole and you adjust depth and width
- Bulb Planter > works ok, but cutting portion is usually scalloped (rounded) and not sharp enough to make a clean hole in the WG.
- Rebar > a 4 ft long piece of rebar with a top bent to form a cane is another tool/method to make plant holes, push through the WG and move around a bit to widen plant hole area

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### During the season



In the first 3-4 weeks, walk the rows regularly (every day or every few days)

- If you see a tear > put a load of soil over it
- If an edge has separated from the soil > cover it entirely with a load of soil
- Repeat