

DELAWARE CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION

SALVAGING AND SPREADING TOPSOIL CS 11

1. **SCOPE**

The work shall consist of salvaging topsoil from borrow pits or required excavations and spreading it on the areas shown on the drawings to the specified depths.

2. **QUALITY OF TOPSOIL**

Topsoil shall consist of friable surface soil reasonably free of grass, roots, weeds, sticks, stones or other foreign materials.

3. **EXCAVATION**

After the site has been cleared and grubbed the topsoil shall be removed from the designated areas and shall be stockpiled at locations shown on the drawings or approved by the NRCS technician. Objectionable materials encountered during excavation shall be removed and buried at locations shown on the drawings or approved by the NRCS technician or otherwise removed from the construction site.

4. **SPREADING**

Spreading shall not be done when the ground or topsoil is frozen, excessively wet or otherwise in a condition detrimental to the work. Surfaces designated to be covered shall be lightly scarified just prior to the spreading operation. Where compacted fills are designated to be covered by topsoil, the topsoil shall be placed concurrently with the fill and shall be bonded to the compacted fill with the compacting equipment.

After placement is completed the surface of the topsoil shall be finished to a reasonably smooth surface.