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Prior to us laying your edging there are a few things for you to complete to ensure we have the best possible start to the day.

At least 1 day prior

1. Mark out where you want the edging to run – the best way to do this is by painting the path the edging is to follow (also see tip below)
2. Make sure you have decided on the style and colour of the edging (if desired)
3. Remove all large roots or other structures that will either try to push through the edging or impact on the foundation for the edging.
4. Make sure there are no low areas that will hold water – please try and level the site as much as possible in preparation. The better the area, the better the finished product.
5. Mow the lawn to the normal height that you cut it.

Removal & Replacing Old Edging or Bricks

If you want the new edging to be placed in the same place as the old, then you will need to do the following to prepare:

- Remove existing edging or bricks
- Make sure the ground is solid, flat/level with the rest of the land and well compacted with either soil or crusher dust. You can sprinkle cement over it and water it to lock it in if you wish. Please note that the edging is laid on a flat service, not in a channel.
- Trim back all plants so there is a clear line of vision, and easy access to walk along the line of the edging.

Our recommendation is that if you have had existing edging, plan on laying the new edging on fresh grass just outside where the old edging was.

TIP:

There are a number of ways you can mark out how you want your edging to flow. It is a good idea to play around with how the layout looks.

- Run a rope around the areas you want the edging to go. See how it looks with curves and move it as desired. You can also use a hose (place the hose out in the sun first so it is more flexible and will sit where you want it to)
- Once you are happy with the layout you can either:
- Spray paint the area (make sure you use a high visibility/Fluro paint)
- Stringline & pegs (if the area is using straight lines and this is convenient)

On the day

1. If you have rain or have had rain overnight, and the area or areas to be laid are squishy under foot – advise via email or text ASAP. We cannot lay on a wet surface or if the weather looks like it is going to rain during or after the edging application.
2. We need a clear area 15 meters long out the front of the premises blocked off – Note we cannot block off other driveways, so please advise if you live in a cul-de-sac as we won't be able to run the job .
3. If you have pets, please make sure these are in a secure area. This protects us and also the concrete.
4. Ensure any droppings from your pets are picked up.
5. Please ensure there is access to a power point for the operation of the machines. If this is not possible, please advise within 48 hours so alternative arrangements can be made.
6. Availability of water – please ensure there is access to a hose or tap for mixing the concrete.
7. Ensure that there is access to the site to be able to lay the edging. You will need to ensure there is a minimum width of 800mm for the wheelbarrows and machine.
8. When we have to cut the turf away we cant take it due to contamination of the sand we carry and risk of spreading fire ants , we will cut it and put it behind where we are going to install.
9. We will need an area to wash up the equipment and a rubbish bin or trailer etc to put the empty cement bags as we mix.

The Weather

We are unable to lay edging on water logged ground. (soggy underfoot and leaves a boot imprint easily)

If there has been rain prior to the day we will need to make a call on the suitability of the ground.

We are also unable to lay edging in the rain.

If it is raining on the day your edging is scheduled we will reschedule another suitable day or time.

For coloured jobs we need a 5 hour window of clear weather after we have laid so we can come back and apply the sealer.

If you have any questions about preparation or would like assistance around layout please do not hesitate to contact us.