Recyclex® TRM And Recyclex® TRM-V

Long-Term Turf Reinforcement Mattings





Recyclex - the first family of long-term turf reinforcement mats (TRM) with fibers made from 100% recycled goods - "green bottles". That's right, approximately 18 bottles are diverted from landfills with every pound of Recyclex fibers. American Excelsior Company invented the first biodegradable blanket, and we have done the same with recycled poly fibers to create Recyclex. Not only is Recyclex environmentally responsible, it is designed to meet your most difficult erosion control challenges. For long-term erosion control, Recyclex is the answer.

Material Characteristics

Recyclex is made from 100% recycled fibers with 80% or more 5 inches in length or greater. The fibers are crimped to allow a strong, curled, interlocking fiber matrix. Sound familiar to Curlex excelsior fibers? Absolutely! Just as Curlex fibers have been the most successful biodegradable matrix since we invented erosion control blankets, we applied the same concept to our Recyclex Turf Reinforcement Matting. Our crimped fibers conform to terrain details and train water flow to follow the Recyclex curled fiber matrix. In turn, water flow velocity is reduced.

Recyclex fibers have a specific gravity of greater than one, meaning the matrix will not float during a hydraulic event. Recyclex fibers are stitched together by two strong layers of UV resistant polypropylene netting to form a three-dimensional matrix that is designed to provide long-term surface support for vegetation and structural root systems. Recyclex can be installed similar to an erosion control blanket by placing it over grass seed and topsoil or it can be soil filled and seeded to allow a structural root system to grow directly into the turf reinforcement matting.

Performance Capabilities

Products	Recyclex TRM	Recyclex TRM-V
Channels Shear Stress Rating	480+ Pa (10.0+ lb/ft²)	384+ Pa (8.0+ lb/ft²)
Slopes Steepness	Unlimited gradient, but relative to geotechnical review	Unlimited gradient, but relative to geotechnical review

Typical Applications

Recyclex TRM's are designed to allow revegetation and provide long-term protection in areas of concentrated flow:

- Ditch bottoms, channel bottoms, swales & slopes
- Steep, reinforced slope veneers
- Landfill down chutes & let down structures
- Pond, small lake, and stream bank shoreline stabilization
- Urban stormwater drainage channels & waterways
- Concentrated flow areas as a TRM component with Curlex Sediment Log®
- Typical Rip Rap or Hard Armor applications





Suggested Specifications

General: Recyclex Turf Reinforcement Matting (TRM) is a unique, patented (US 6,855,650 B1), long-term, rolled erosion control products (RECP) with fibers made from 100% recycled goods - "green bottles".

Product: Turf Reinforcement Mat shall be manufactured from recycled fibers with 80% or more 5 inches in length, crimped and curled to allow fiber interlocking, which is critical to a strong matrix. The fibers shall be encased between two layers of heavy UV stabilized polypropylene netting and stitched top to bottom to form a three-dimensional matrix. The unique recycled poly fibers have a memory of 95% of its original crimp after load or hydraulic events. The fibers shall have a specific gravity of greater than 1, which means they will not float during a hydraulic application unlike other polypropylene fibers.

Its three-dimensional matrix is specifically designed to provide long-term surface support and/or structural support for vegetation root systems. Therefore, it is a Turf Reinforcement Matting or Turf Reinforcement matrix in blanket form. Typically, it is installed as a soil filled and seeded TRM that allows the germination of vegetation above, and it provides a long-term structural matrix for the root system to grow into. In addition, it may be installed as a "stand alone" rolled erosion control products (RECP) over the top of soil and seed, which allows vegetation to grow up through its matrix.

Recyclex familyTRMs will conform to the following typical physical (Index) properties:

Index Property	Test Method	Recyclex TRM Values	Recyclex TRM-V Values
Mass per Unit Area	ASTM D 6566	0.63 lb/yd² (0.342 kg/m²)	0.50 lb/yd² (0.271 kg/m²)
Thickness	ASTM D 6525	0.37 in (9.4 mm)	0.29 in (7.5 mm)
Light Penetration	ASTM D 6567	55%	57%
Resiliency	ASTM D 6524, ASTM D1777/ECTC	85%	86%
MD Tensile Strength Max	ASTM D 6818	387.6 lb/ft (5.66 kN/m)	295.2 lb/ft (4.31 kN/m)
TD Tensile Strength Max	ASTM D 6818	340.8 lb/ft (4.97 kN/m)	194.4 lb/ft (2.84 kN/m)
MD Elongation	ASTM D 6818	21.2%	32.2%
TD Elongation	ASTM D 6818	20.3%	40.8%
Ultraviolet Stability	ASTM D 4355 (1,000 hr)	90% (min)	80% (min)
Fiber Memory	WLM-TM RC-17	95%	95%
Specific Gravity	ASTM D 792	1.28	1.21
Porosity	Calculated	97.6%	97.5%

Recyclex TRM - V Roll Properties

Width	8.0 ft (2.4 m) or 16.0 ft (4.9 m)
Length	112.5 ft (34.3 m)
Area	100.0 yd² (83.6 m²) or 200.0 yd² (167.2 m²)
Weight	50.0 lb (22.7 kg) or 100.0 lb (45.4 kg)
Color	Green

Recyclex TRM Roll Properties

Width	8.0 ft (2.4 m) or 16.0 ft (4.9 m)
Length	90.0 ft (27.4 m)
Area	80.0 yd ² (66.9 m ²) or 160.0 yd ² (133.8 m ²)
Weight	50.0 lb (22.7 kg) or 100.0 lb (45.4 kg)
Color	Green

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Vegetated	Consult SCS Vegetal Curve

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