



Illinois - Natural Resources Conservation Service

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For:	Farm #:
Field(s):	Tract #:
Designed By:	Approved By:
	Signature:
Date:	Date:

Definition

Applying plant residues, by-products, or other suitable materials not produced on the site to the soil surface.



Purpose (Check all Planned Purposes)

- Conserve moisture
- Prevent surface compaction or crusting
- Reduce runoff and erosion
- Control weeds
- Moderate soil temperature
- Help establish plant cover

Where Used

On soils subject to erosion, on critical areas, on soils that have a low infiltration rate, where needed for control of weeds, and where needed to establish seedlings, trees and shrubs.

Application

Careful consideration must be given to the site conditions (soils, slope, drainage, etc.) and the purpose of the mulch to select the appropriate type of mulch, rate of mulch application, and anchoring needed. Follow the enclosed site-specific requirements.

Sketch of Area to be Mulched

SPECIFICATIONS:

Location #1:			
Site Preparation:			
Type Of Mulch:		Rate: Specify depth, lbs/1000 ft², or tons/acre:	
Square Ft. or Acres to be Mulched	Estimated Quantity of Mulch Needed	Type of Anchoring	Additional Remarks:

Location #2:			
Site Preparation:			
Type Of Mulch:		Rate: Specify depth, lbs/1000 ft², or tons/acre:	
Square Ft. or Acres to be Mulched	Estimated Quantity of Mulch Needed	Type of Anchoring	Additional Remarks:

Location #3:			
Site Preparation:			
Type Of Mulch:		Rate: Specify depth, lbs/1000 ft², or tons/acre:	
Square Ft. or Acres to be Mulched	Estimated Quantity of Mulch Needed	Type of Anchoring	Additional Remarks:

Additional Site Specifications (Describe):

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE:

1. Mulched areas will be periodically inspected, reinstalled, or repaired as needed.
2. Mulch and any associated materials shall be disposed of by removal, incorporation, or allowed to bio- or photo-degrade consistent with the intended purpose and site conditions.
3. Operation of equipment near the site shall not damage the intended purpose of the mulch.