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## MASTER PLANS

Keystone Retaining Wall (Mini/Builder, Compac, and Standard units)

- Single Tier Wall with Horizontal Backfill Plan # 703-98-15
- Single Tier Wall with Sloping Backfill Plan # 703-98-16
- Double Tiered Wall with Horizontal Backfill Plan # 703-98-17







# **KEYSTONE - MIRAFI Retaining Wall**

# MASTER PLANS Construction Drawings

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## APPLICATION

The Keystone-Mirafi retaining wall system is a reinforced soil structure combining an architecturally attractive concrete facing block with geogrid reinforcement. The Mirafi geogrid reinforcement interlocks with the Keystone block units and fill soil to create a stable gravity retaining wall. Design of these reinforced soil structures uses well established guidelines that are readily available. The following specifications and details provide a design to incorporate geogrid reinforcement into the soil for the purposes of constructing retaining walls. Consult Kienstra, Inc. for additional details regarding design, appearance, and aesthetic considerations.

## STANDARD DESIGN PROCEDURE

The following design tables established for the construction of soil reinforced walls are based upon generally accepted soil parameters in the St. Louis County, Missouri area. An engineer shall review the site conditions and the soil present at the proposed location of the soil reinforced walls to determine if the actual conditions match the assumed parameters. All soil parameters assumed in the design are well drained, long term strength conditions. High plastic silts, and clays should be avoided without specific design recommendations from local geotechnical engineers. Frost heave and settlement need to be addressed if warranted by conditions. Also, special precautions are necessary for walls constantly in contact with water, i.e. near or at rivers, lakes, and ponds.

Three typical geometric cases were selected for these tables. The first case is a typical retaining wall with horizontal backfill, the second case is a 3:1 sloping backfill, and the third case is a tiered wall. All conditions are designed with 100 lb per sf surcharge. The following is a summary of the design parameters used and the minimum factors of safety which the tables are based on.

	Friction Angle	Unit Wt	Cohesion
Wall fill	28	120	. 0
Retained Backfill	28	120	0
Foundation Soil	28	120	0
Friction Angle - degree Unit Weight - lbs per of Cohesion - lbs per sf			

INIMUM FACTORS OF SAFETY CALCULATED	
Reinforcement Pullout = 1.5	
Reinforcement Rupture = 1.5	
External Sliding = 1.5	
Overturning = 2.0	
Overall for Unknowns = 1.5	
Bearing Capacity = 2000 psf	

#### SPECIFICATIONS - St. Louis County Masterplan

#### Materials

Retaining wall units shall be Keystone block units as manufactured by Kienstra, Inc. The Standard and Compact units are 18" wide x 8" tall with a split face finish. The Mini units are 18" wide and 4" tall. Concrete wall units shall meet the requirements of ASTM C90-90 except compressive strength shall be a minimum 3000 psi and the maximum water absorption shall be limited to 8.0 percent. The concrete shall have adequate freeze thaw resistance in accordance with ASTM C668-90.

The reinforced wall backfill material shall be compacted soil from on-site. The soil shall be free of clumps, free of rocks larger than 4\*, and free of organic materials. Do not use high plastic soils that have a PI>20 or LL>40.

Geogrids shall be Miragrid SRW100, 2XT, or 3XT as manufactured by Nicolon-Mirafi Group. All three geogrid designations meet the strength requirements of the design calculations. The geotextile filter fabric shall be Mirafi 140N.

The leveling pad shall be constructed of well graded crushed limestone similar to 1" minus.

The drainage rock shall be free draining rock such as 3/4" clean crushed limestone.

The perforated pipe shall be HDPE coil pipe.

#### Wall Foundation

Foundation soil shall be excavated as required for the leveling pad and the reinforced fill zone to the depths and locations shown on the plan sheet. The exposed foundation soil shall be observed by the prior to construction to verify that the exposed material is suitable for a net design bearing pressure of 2000 psf and that the base of the excavation is free of loose soil, uncompacted fill, water, or frozen material. Undercut any unsuitable soil. Undercut areas shall be filled with crushed limestone and compacted to atleast 95% of the material's standard Proctor maximum dry density.

Construct the crushed rock leveling pad to lines and grades shown on the plans.

Construct the horizontal drainage layer at the lines and grades shown on the plans. The 6' of drainage rock shall be separated from the rock with a filter fabric. Place the perforated pipe behind the base unit and in the drainage layer. Slope the pipe to the low point in the wall and daylight the pipe through the wall face.

#### Wall Construction

Install the first course of units on the leveling pad. Place the fiberglass pins in the first unit then install the next course in a running bond stack. Pull unit forward. Use 2 pins per unit. Backfill units and continue construction. Cap units shall be glued in place at the top of the wall.

Drainage rock shall be placed in the unit cores and directly behind the wall units a minimum 12' thick. The drainage rock shall be separated from the soil with a filter fabric.

#### Geogrid Reinforcing

The geogrids shall be cut to design lengths and placed between the blocks at the elevations shown on the plans. The geogrid's primary strength direction will be directed perpendicular to the wall face (into the fill.) The geogrids placed outside a plus or minus 4\* zone of the geogrid design elevation will not be accepted. The geogrid shall be placed horizontally and lay flat on the reinforced fill soll. The geogrid shall be placed so that a minimum of 8\* of grid is between the block layers. Slack in the geogrid shall be removed prior to placing additional backfill.

#### Wall Backfill

Wall backfill material shall be placed in maximum 8° loose lifts and compacted to atleast 95% of the material's maximum dry density as determined by the standard Proctor method. Backfill shall be placed, spread, and compacted in such a manner that minimizes wrinkles and movement of the geogrid. Field density testing shall be conducted by a qualified soils technician to verify that atleast the minimum degree of compaction is being obtained.

Place 12' of drainage rock behind units. Separate drainage rock and soil with the filter fabric.

During backfill placement the 3 foot zone directly behind the wall shall be limited to the use of hand operated compaction equipment only.

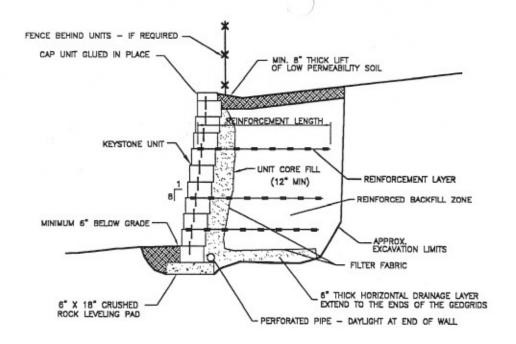
Construction equipment shall not be operated directly on the geogrid.

#### Protection of Work

The surface of the wall backfill shall be graded at the end of each day of work to provide positive surface drainage away from the wall. Grading shall include proper contouring of fills in adjacent areas to prevent the flow of surface water into the reinforced earth zone.

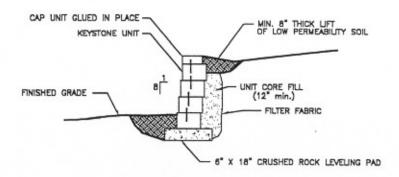
The design of the walls are based on conditions and loads imposed on the wall at completion of the project. Prior to project completion, the wall is vulnerable to damages caused by construction activity adjacent to the wall. Of particular concern is the of grading and pavement construction equipment on the retained backfill at the top of the wall. Only equipment with a weight not exceeding one ton can be used in the 3 foot zone directly behind the back of the wall face.

The soil in front of the walls shall be protected from future erosion.



### TYPICAL REINFORCED SECTION

SCALE: NONE



## TYPICAL GRAVITY SECTION SCALE: NONE

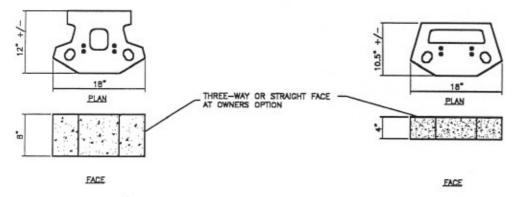
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TYPICAL CROSS SECTIONS

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GRID LENGTH 8" MIN -1/4" +/-5-1/4" FIBERGLASS PIN

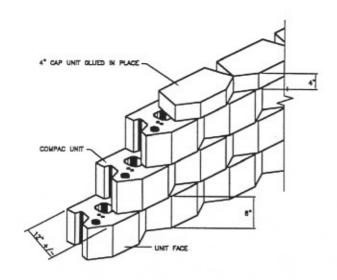
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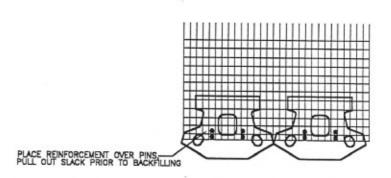
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## KEYSTONE MINI UNIT

SCALE: NONE

#### CONNECTION DETAIL SCALE: NONE





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SCALE: NONE

KEYSTONE COMPAC UNIT

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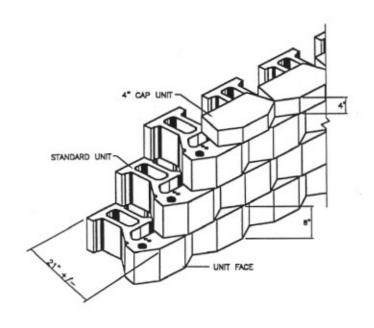
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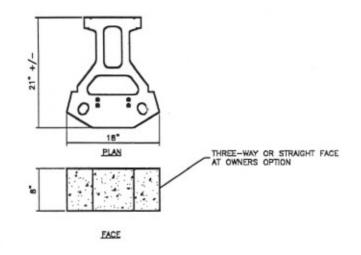
KEYSTONE COMPACT AND MINI UNITS

GEOGRID LAYOUT DETAIL

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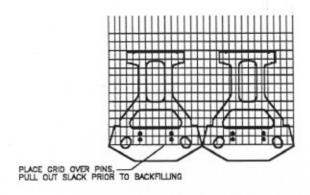
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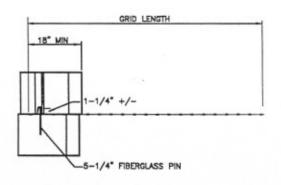


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KEYSTONE STANDARD UNIT



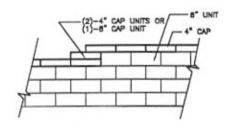
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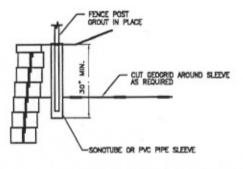
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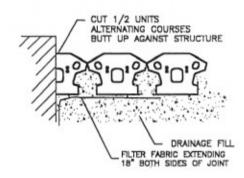


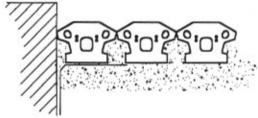
TOP OF WALL STEPS



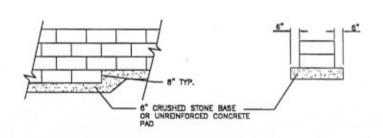
- PLACE SONOTUBE IN FILL AS THE BACKFILL IS BEING COMPACTED - THE FENCE DESIGN AND ITS SUITABILITY IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF OTHERS

FENCE POST DETAIL
SCALE: NONE





WALL ABUTMENT TO EXISTING WALL SCALE: NONE



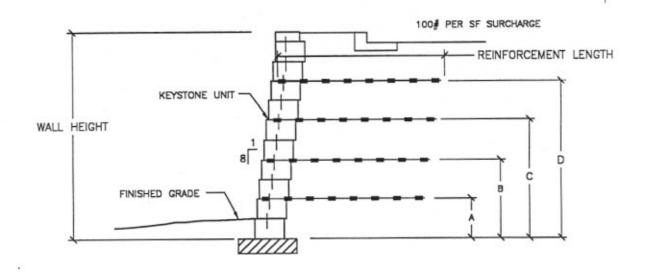
LEVELING PAD AND STEP DETAILS SCALE: NONE

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TYPICAL DETAILS

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## GEOGRID LAYOUT - PARKING SURCHARGE

SCALE: NONE

Wall	Keystone Mini Units						Keystone Compact Units						Keystone
Height	# Geogrid Layers	Geogrid Length	Α	В	С	D	# Geogrid Layers	Geogrid Length	Α	В	С	D	Standard Units
2'	2' No geogrid required						No geogrid required						
3'	1	3'	2'	-	-	-	1	3'	2'	-	-	-	No geogrid required
4'	2	4'	2'	3.33'	-	-	2	4'	2'	3.33'	-	-	No geogrid required
5'	3	4'	1.33'	2.67'	4'	-	3	4'	2'	3.33'	-	-	Same as compact units
6'	4	4.5'	1.33'	2.67'	4.5'	5.33'	4	4.5'	1.5'	3.33'	4.67'	-	Same as compact units

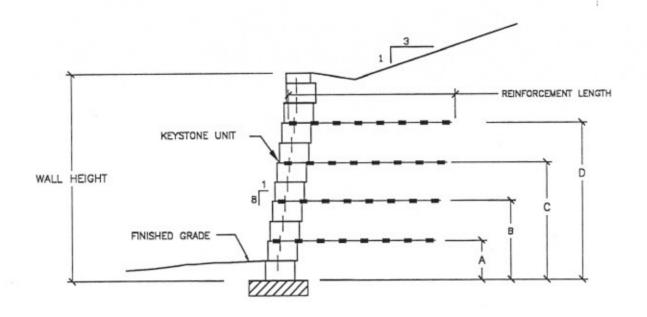
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GEOGRID LAYOUT - SURCHARGE WALL

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## GEOGRID LAYOUT - SLOPING SURCHARGE

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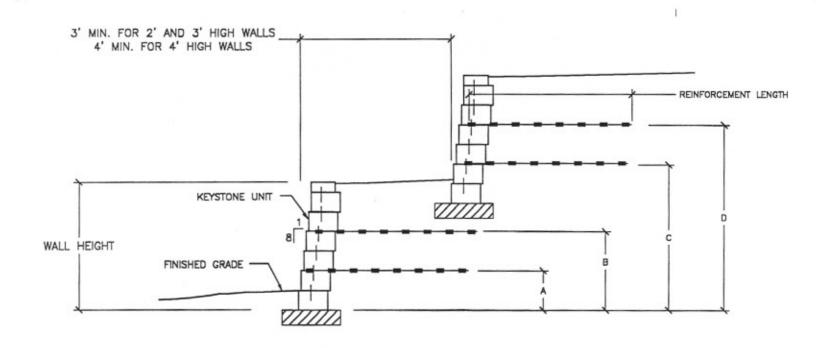
Wall	K	Ceystone Mini Ur	nits				Key	Keystone					
Height	# Geogrid Layers	Geogrid Length	Α	В	С	D	# Geogrid Layers	Geogrid Length	Α	В	С	D	Standard Units
2'		No geogrid require	ed					No geogrid requir	red				No geogrid required
3'	1 1	3'	2'	-	-	-	1	3'	2'	-	-	-	No geogrid required
4'	2	4'	2'	3.33'	-	-	2	4'	2'	3.33'	-	-	No geogrid required
5'	3	5'	1.33'	2.67'	4'	-	3	5'	2'	3.33'	-	-	Same as compact units
6'	4	5.5'	1.33'	2.67'	4.5'	5.33'	4	5.5'	2'	3.33'	4.67'	-	Same as compact units

All geogrids are to be Mirafi SRW100, 2XT, or 3XT

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GEOGRID LAYOUT - SLOPING FILL



GEOGRID LAYOUT - TIERED WALL SCALE: NONE

Wall Height	Keyst	Keystone					
(each wall)	# Geogrid Layers	Geogrid Length	Α	В	С	D	Standard Units
2'		No geogrid requir	ed				No geogrid required
2'	2	4.5' Bottom / 3' Top		-	4'	-	No geogrid required
A'		5.5' Bottom / 4' Top		2.67'	5.33	6.67	Bottom same as compact / Top wall, no geogrid

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GEOGRID LAYOUT - TIERED WALL

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