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ArtWeld Gabion Standard Submittal Documents

For: 9 Gauge Black 3”x3” Welded Wire Mesh

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Weld Wire Fabric

Ship Date	03/03/20	**Invoice#**		**Sales Order#**	1407800
Customer	110903	Hilfiker Pipe Company		**Purchase Order#**	12950
Item Code	17441	**Quantity**	13	**Unit of Measure**	rl
Mesh Description	E/M 3x3 - W1.7/W1.7				
	75" x 400' USA				

Wire Test:

Specification	Long Wire	Cross Wire
Nominal Diameter(in)	0.1470	0.1470
Minimum Ultimate Tensile(ksi)	75	75

Typical Steel Chemical Analysis (SAE 1008 - 1018)

Carbon %	Manganese %	Silicon %	Phosphorus %	Sulphur %
.06 - .19	.30 - .90	.10 - .30	.035 max	.035 max

Declaration:

The material supplied meets or exceeds requirements for physical properties of the following standards:
ASTM References.

ASTM A1064-17 Standard Specification for Steel Wire and Welded Wire Reinforcement, Plain and Deformed, for Concrete

SAMPLE

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Weld Shear Strength Data:

Shear Minimum (lbf)		800	800	800	800
Test Results					
1	02/29/20	1784	1801	1793	1682
2	02/28/20	1700	1647	1703	1609
3	02/28/20	1304	1688	1601	1613
4	02/27/20	1615	1715	1589	1647
5	02/27/20	1850	1675	1700	1580
6	07/28/19	1711	1648	1511	1148
7	07/27/19	1628	1527	1619	1434
8	07/26/19	1377	1269	1370	1209
9	07/26/19	1300	1700	1800	1200
Minimum		1300	1269	1370	1148
Maximum		1850	1801	1800	1682
Average		1585	1630	1632	1458

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ArtWeld Gabion
Product Specification
(Non-Galvanized Black Wire)

1.0 DESCRIPTION

This work shall consist of Hilfiker ArtWeld Gabions (welded wire mesh) and filling the gabions with rock in accordance with the details shown on the plans and these special provisions.

2.0 MATERIALS

Gabions shall be of a single unit construction. The base, ends, sides, and lid shall be fabricated from 3"x3" 9 Gauge Black Welded Wire Mesh and connected in such a manner that strength and flexibility at the connection are at least equal to that of the wire mesh. The gabions shall be fabricated in such a manner that they can be assembled at the construction site with Spiral Binders and pre-formed stiffeners to form rectangular baskets of the specified size.

The height, length, and width of the gabions shall not vary more than 5 percent from the dimensions shown on the plans.

Gabions shall be divided into cells of equal length, not more than 3 feet long, by diaphragms made of the same wire mesh as used for the gabion body. Each gabion shall be fabricated with the necessary diaphragm or diaphragms secured in proper position on the base in such a manner that no additional tying at the base will be necessary.

A Certificate of Compliance shall accompany each shipment of gabions to a job site.

Wire for the manufacture and assembly of gabions shall meet or exceed all of the following requirements:

Description	Requirement
3"x3" (9 ga. - 0.144 in. min.) Welded Wire Fabric	ASTM A1064
Exception: Weld Shear at 800 lbs of force min.	
9 ga. Pre-Formed Stiffener	ASTM A1064
9 ga. Spiral Binder	ASTM A1064

3.0 ROCK

Rock for filling the gabions shall be as listed:

100% passing 8 inches (20.3 cm), 0-5% passing 4 inches (10.2 cm)

4.0 CONSTRUCTION

Gabions shall first be assembled individually as empty units. Each gabion shall be manufactured with the necessary panels, properly spaced and secured, so they can be rotated into position at the construction site with no additional tying of the rotation joint. The panels and diaphragms shall be rotated into position and joined along vertical edges.

When 13.5-gauge tie wire is used as the joint material, all vertical edges of each gabion panel shall first be constructed to form individual empty gabions. Simple spiraling (looping without locking) of 13.5-gauge tie wire is not permitted. For welded-mesh, the joint shall be constructed using alternating single and double half hitches (locked loops) in every mesh opening along the joint.

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When 9-gauge spiral binders are used, the spiral shall be screwed into position such that it passes through each mesh opening along the joint. Both ends of all 9-gauge spiral binders shall be crimped to secure the spiral in place.

Temporary fasteners may be used to hold panels wherever gabion-to-gabion joints will be constructed. Temporary fasteners may remain in place.

4.1 Assembly of Successive Gabions (Gabion-to-Gabion Joints)

Empty gabions shall be set in place. Individually constructed empty gabions shall be joined successively to the next empty gabion with 13.5-gauge tie wire or 9-gauge spirals, before filling with rock begins. The 13.5-gauge tie wire or 9-gauge spiral binders shall secure, in one pass, all selvage or end wires of panels of all the adjacent gabions along the joint.

4.2 Assembly of Multiple Layered Gabions

Multi-layered gabion configurations can be stepped and staggered as shown on the plans or as directed by the Engineer. When constructing multi-layered gabion configurations, each layer of gabions can be joined to the underlying layer along the front and ends, or as shown on the plans.

4.3 Assembly of Single-Layered Gabions

Single-layered gabion configurations shall be butted and joined along the front, back, and ends as shown on the plans, including tops and bottoms of adjacent gabions.

4.4 Assembly of Shear Key Gabions

Shear key gabions (also called "counterforts") shall be spaced as shown on the plans. Shear key gabions shall be tied to adjacent gabions in the manner specified for "Assembly of Successive Gabions."

4.5 Modified Geometry

To match the geometry of the planned gabion configuration, or to meet specific conditions panels shall be folded, cut, and/or re-tied to dimensions shown on the plans or as approved by the Engineer.

4.6 Filling with Rock

Rock shall be placed in gabions to insure proper alignment, avoid bulges, and provide a minimum of voids. All exposed rock surfaces shall have a smooth and neat appearance. No sharp edges shall project through the wire mesh.

When constructing with 1.5-foot high or 3-foot high gabions, pre-formed stiffeners shall be used to produce a flat, smooth external surface.

Pre-formed Stiffeners shall be installed on the exposed face of the gabion prior to rock placement, two rows at 1/3 points on 3' high gabions, one row at 1/2 point in 1.5' high gabions.

When filling 3-foot high gabions, rock shall be placed in 3 nominal 12-inch layers; when filling 1.5-foot high gabions, rock shall be placed in two 9-inch layers.

The last layer of rock shall slightly overfill the gabions such that the lid will rest on rock when it is closed.

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4.7 Closure of Lids

Lids shall be tied along the front, ends, and diaphragms of individual gabions and to successive gabions with 9-gauge spiral binders in the same manner as specified elsewhere in this specification.

5.0 MEASUREMENT

Quantities of gabions to be paid for will be measured by the cubic yard and will be determined from the dimensions shown on the plans or the dimensions directed by the Engineer.

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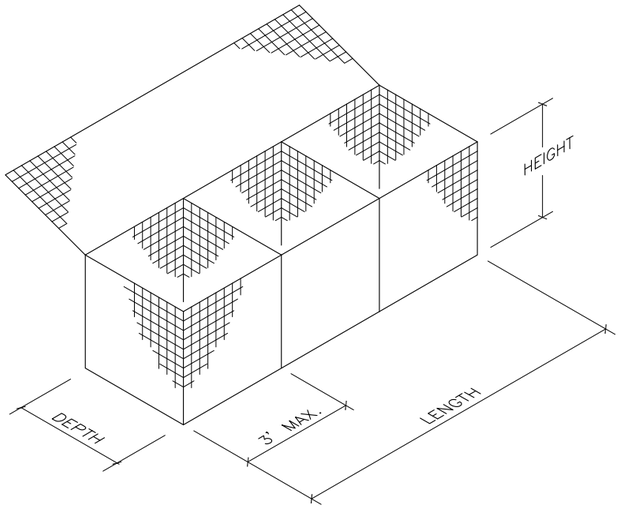

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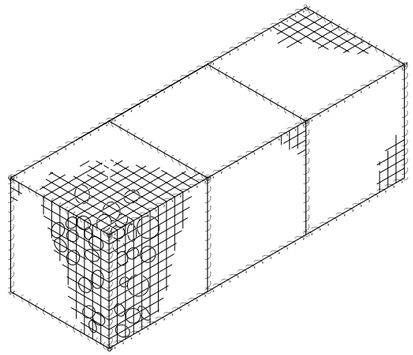

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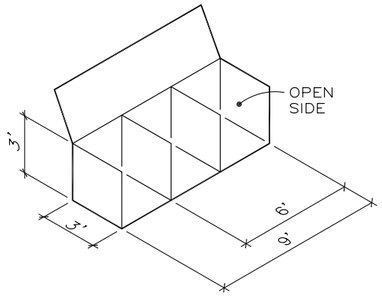

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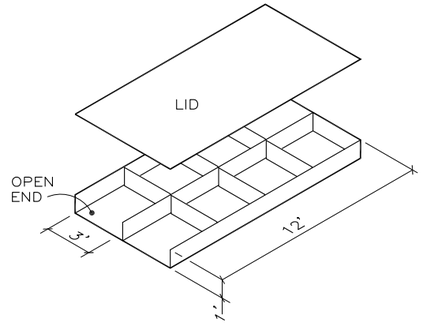

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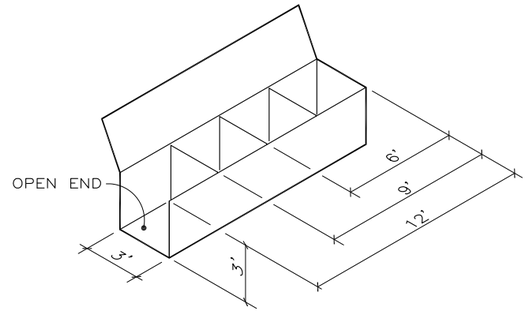

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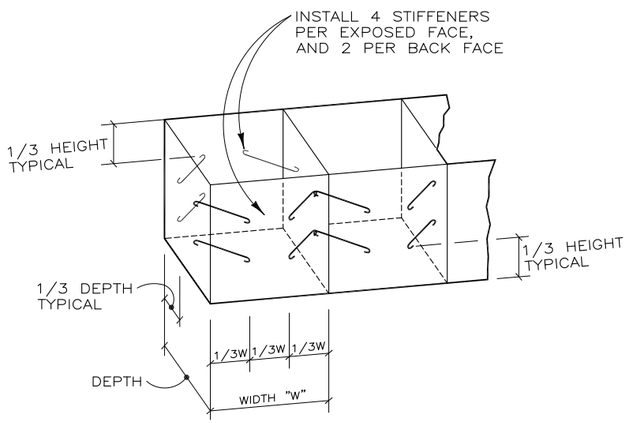

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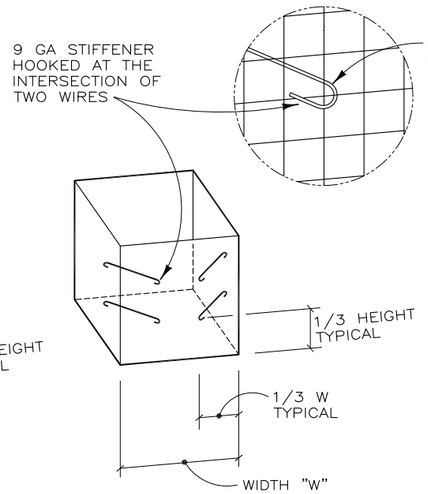

EXPOSED FACES

WHERE HEIGHT OF GABION IS 18" OR LESS, INSTALL 2 STIFFENERS PER FACE
WHERE HEIGHT IS 12", NO STIFFENERS REQUIRED

STIFFENER DETAILS
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STANDARD GABION SIZES

SIZE LxWxH	CU.YD.	SIZE LxWxH	CU.YD.	SIZE LxWxH	CU.YD.
3 x 3 x 3	1	3 x 3 x 1.5	0.5	3 x 3 x 1	0.33
6 x 3 x 3	2	6 x 3 x 1.5	1	6 x 3 x 1	0.67
9 x 3 x 3	3	9 x 3 x 1.5	1.5	9 x 3 x 1	1
12 x 3 x 3	4	12 x 3 x 1.5	2	12 x 3 x 1	1.33
6 x 6 x 3	4	6 x 6 x 1.5	2	6 x 6 x 1	1.33
9 x 6 x 3	6	9 x 6 x 1.5	3	9 x 6 x 1	2
12 x 6 x 3	8	12 x 6 x 1.5	4	12 x 6 x 1	2.67
24 x 6 x 3	16	24 x 6 x 1.5	8	24 x 6 x 1	5.33

NOTES

1. GABION SIZES ARE EXPRESSED IN FEET.

2. MATTRESSES AND CUSTOM SIZES PROVIDED ON REQUEST.

3. GABIONS WHICH ARE TO BE CONNECTED TOGETHER SIDE–TO–SIDE OR END–TO–END, MAY BE PROVIDED OPEN–SIDED OR OPEN–ENDED AS SHOWN TO REDUCE WEIGHT, COST, AND ASSEMBLY TIME.

4. GABIONS ARE MANUFACTURED OF 3"x3" WELDED WIRE MESH, WIRE SIZE AND FINISH VARIES;
   9 GA. BRITE BASIC (BLACK)
   9 GA. WITH 0.9 OZ/SF ZINC COATING
   11 GA. WITH 0.85 OZ/SF ZINC COATING.
OPTIONAL 2.0 OZ/SF ZINC COATING IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.

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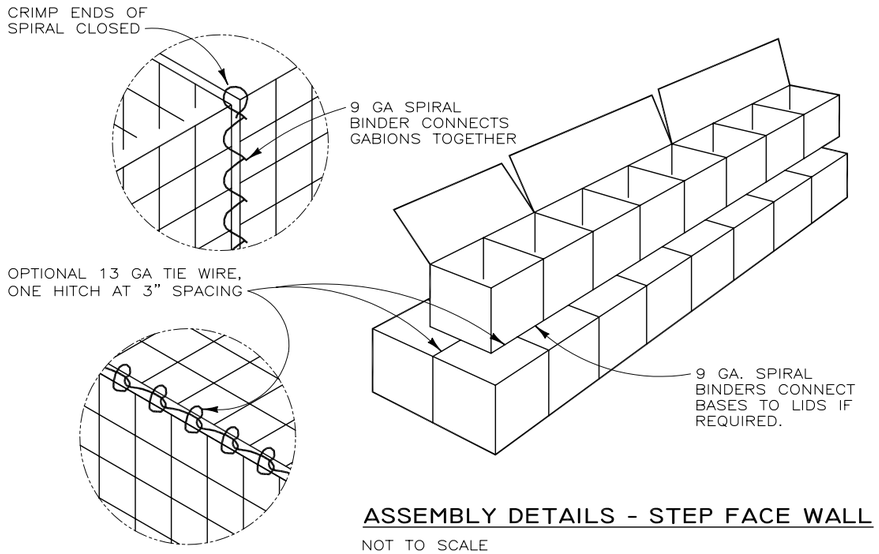

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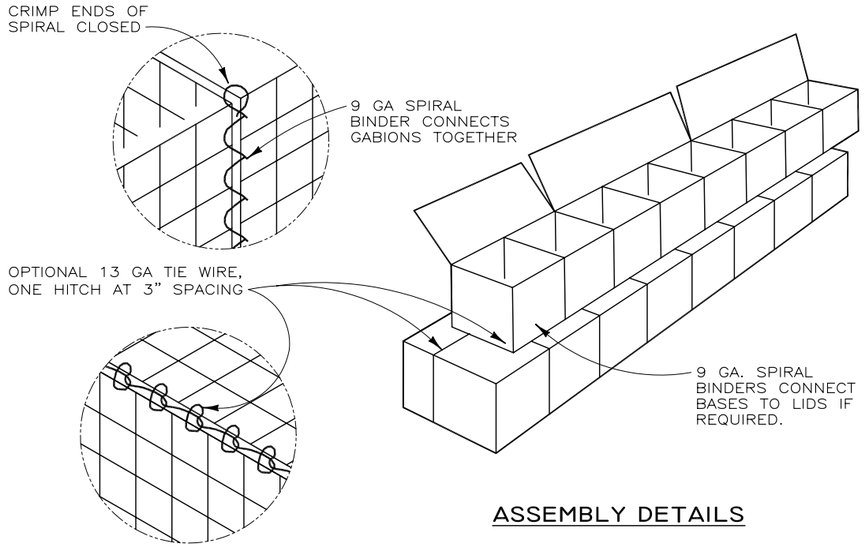

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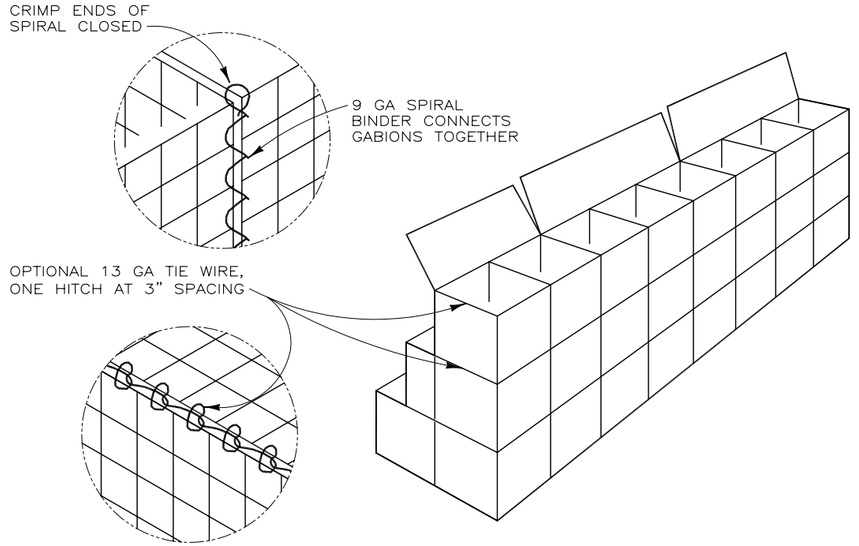

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The **ArtWeld Gabion** is named for our friend and coworker, Arthur Lee Hilfiker, who originated, developed and tested the gabions before his untimely death in June 1986. Arthur's idea was to develop a gabion that was easily shipped, quickly assembled and structurally superior to conventional gabions. He succeeded admirably.

The possible uses of ***ArtWeld Gabions*** *are so varied that this guide can not show them all. Th purpose of this guide is to detail only the assembly process. Follow your plans for the structural design and site placement.*

ArtWeld Gabions are factory cut from galvanized or non-galvanized 3" x 3" Welded Wire Mesh. The main panel components are fastened together at our facilities with galvanized clips and spiral binders. They are then folded and shipped flat to the site. No flattening, bending, stretching or folding is required in the field. The sides are simply raised and connected together with spiral binders. Because the wire is not bent, no cracking of the galvanized coating can occur. Typically, a 6' x 3' x 3' gabion takes less than 5 minutes to make ready for filling.

The strength of Welded Wire Mesh offers many advantages. It allows careful machine filling. It is easy to hold the alignment of the face. The manufacture of large gabions is possible, up to 24' x 6' x 3', meaning fewer seams to be joined in the field. Also, if a gabion must be cut to fit site conditions, the wire can be cut with bolt cutters without losing structural strength.

ArtWeld Gabions can be manufactured in conventional sizes, or custom sizes for special site conditions. Wire diameter and thickness of galvanizing, if any, can be varied to suit job requirements.

For your next gabion project, contact Hilfiker Retaining Walls for a quote on a product we are proud to manufacture. We look forward to being of service to you and your clients.

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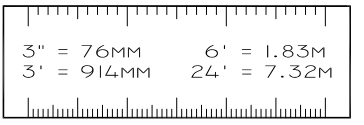

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ARTWELD GABIONS CAN BE MANUFACTURED IN BOTH ENGLISH AND METRIC UNITS.
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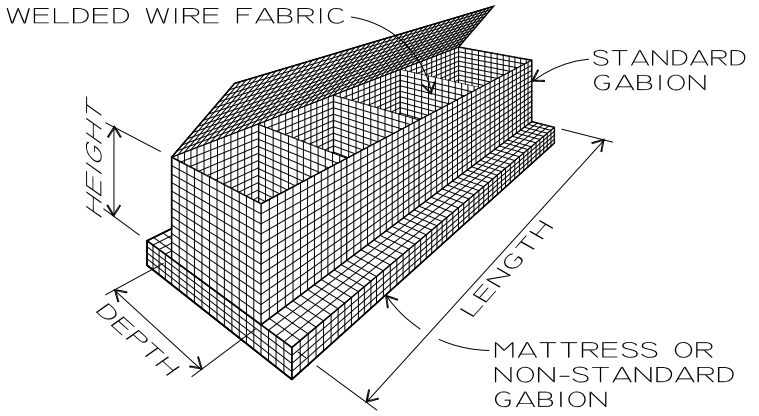

STANDARD *ENGLISH* UNIT GABIONS ARE SIZED IN MULTIPLES OF 3 FEET (0.914 METERS). THEY ARE MANUFACTURED OF 3"x3" (76MM X 76MM) WELDED WIRE FABRIC.

STANDARD *METRIC* UNIT GABIONS ARE SIZED IN MULTIPLES OF 1 METER (3.28 FEET). THEY ARE MANUFACTURED OF 83MM X 83MM (3.25" X 3.25") WELDED WIRE FABRIC.

BOTH ENGLISH UNIT AND METRIC UNIT GABIONS ARE SUPPLIED IN 9 GA AND 11 GA GALVANIZED, AND 9 GA NON-GALVANIZED WELDED WIRE FABRIC.

NON-STANDARD SIZES, AND MATTRESSES, CAN BE SPECIAL-ORDERED TO FIT PROJECT REQUIREMENTS.

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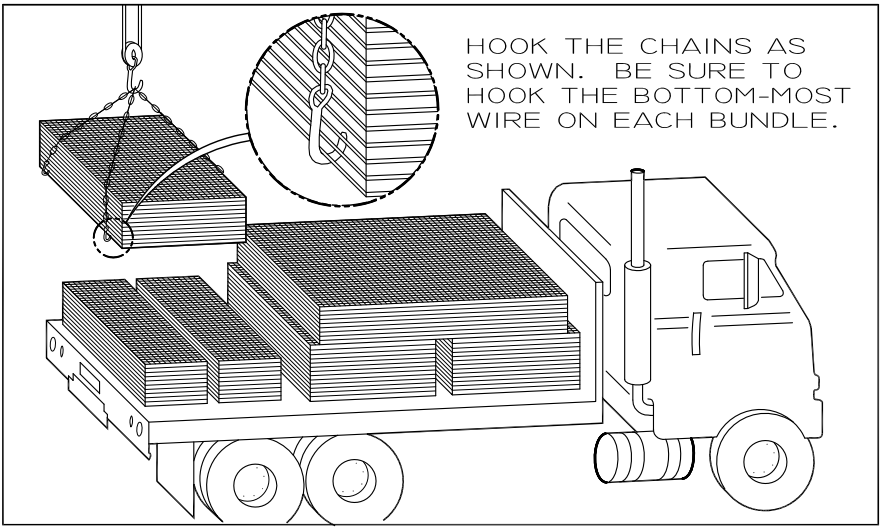

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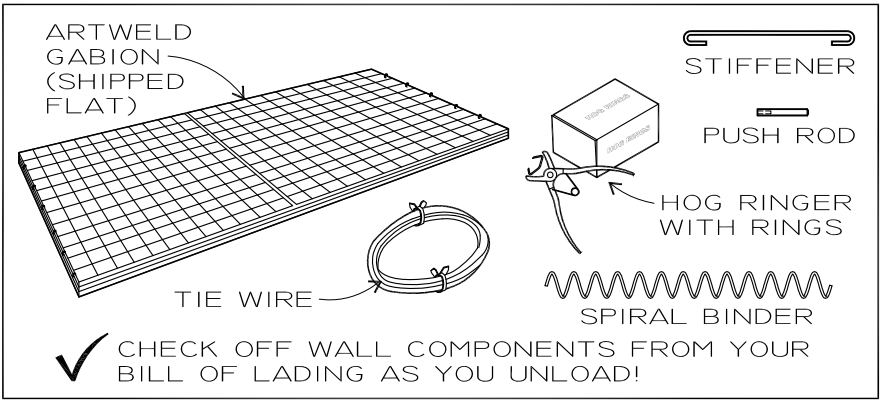

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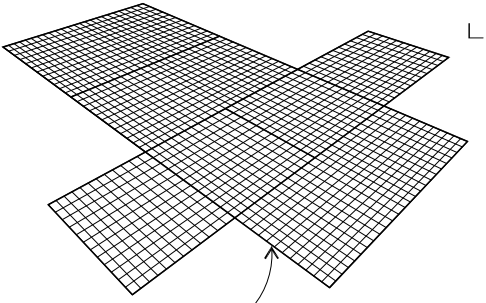

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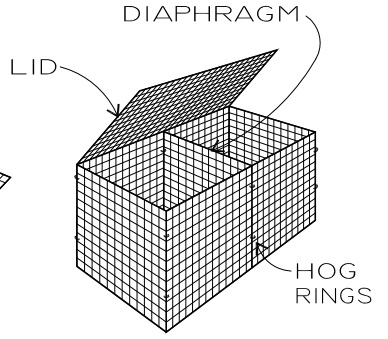
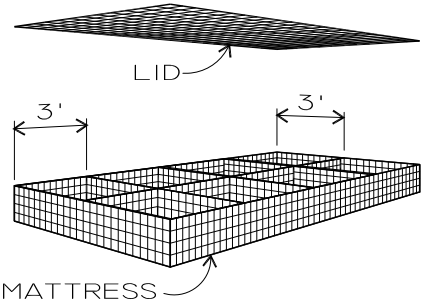


THEN STAND THE SIDES UP AND JOIN THE EDGES TEMPORARILY WITH HOG RINGS

THIS GUIDE SHOWS ASSEMBLY WITH HOG RINGS AND SPIRAL BINDERS BECAUSE THAT IS THE EASIEST AND FASTEST ASSEMBLY METHOD.



YOU MAY USE TIE WIRE AND HALF-HITCH LACING FOR ALL CONNECTIONS IF DESIDED.

HOG RINGS ARE *NOT* PERMANENT CONNECTIONS AND MUST BE FOLLOWED BY SPIRAL BINDERS OR TIE WIRE.

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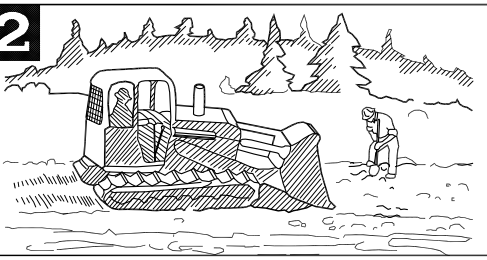
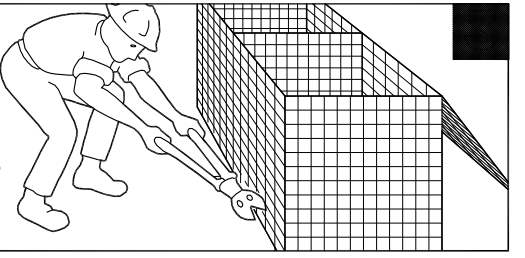


EXCAVATE AND FINE-GRADE THE FOUNDATION.

FOUNDATION MUST BE REASONABLY LEVEL AND CAPABLE OF SUPPORTING IMPOSED LOADS

GABIONS MAY BE FIELD CUT TO FIT CURVES, CULVERTS OR ANGLES.

RECONNECT THE ENDS OF THE GABIONS THE SAME WAY YOU WOULD ASSEMBLE AN UNCUT GABION



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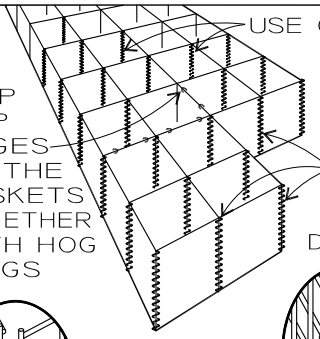
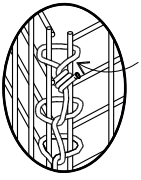


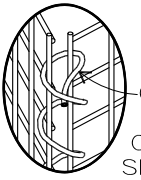
USE ONE SPIRAL AT *EVERY* VERTICAL CONNECTION.

CLIP TOP EDGES OF THE BASKETS TOGETHER WITH HOG RINGS

BIND ALL EXTERIOR CORNERS & DIAPHRAGMS



IF YOU ARE USING TIE WIRE, USE HALF-HITCH LACING AT 3"

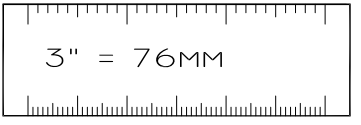


CRIMP ENDS OF ALL SPIRAL BINDERS

PLACE THE FIRST COURSE OF GABIONS ON THE FOUNDATION.

YOU MAY CLIP THE SIDES TOGETHER WITH HOG RINGS TO HOLD THEM TEMPORARILY.

PERMANENTLY BIND THE GABIONS TOGETHER AS SHOWN FOR THE FULL HEIGHT AT ALL CORNERS AND DIAPHRAGMS.



STIFFENER INSTALLATION

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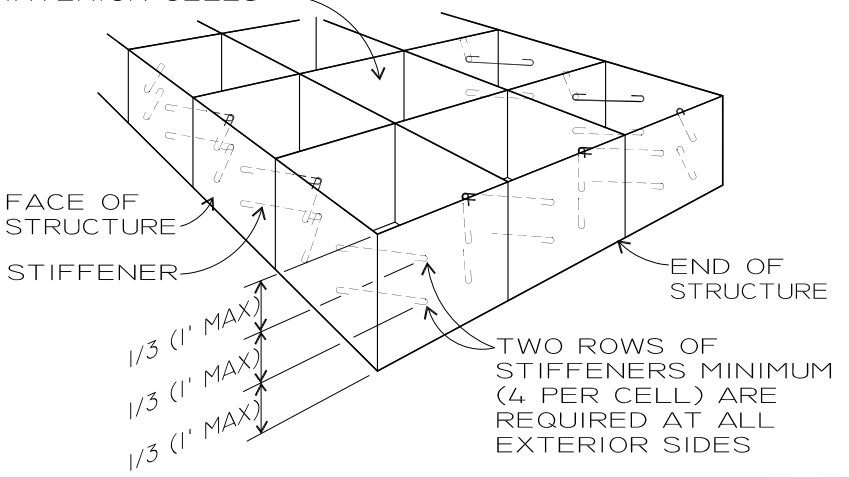
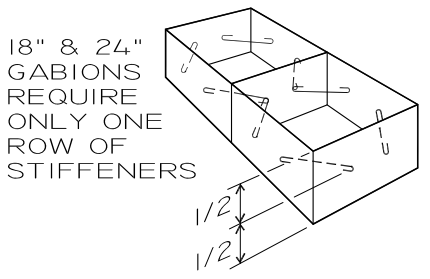
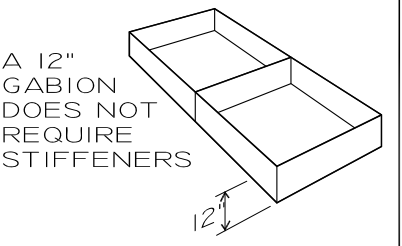
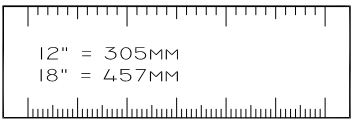
BEFORE FILLING, INSTALL STIFFENERS ACROSS THE CORNERS OF THE GABIONS ON ALL EXTERIOR SIDES OF THE STRUCTURE









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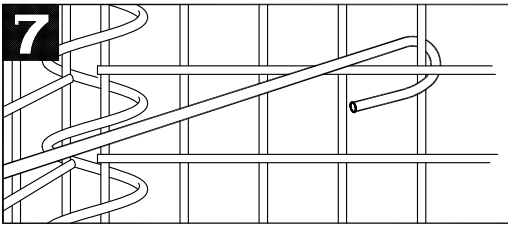

BE SURE TO HOOK THE STIFFENERS ACROSS A WELD INTERSECTION AS SHOWN.

CRIMP BOTH ENDS OF THE STIFFENERS CLOSED.

USING THE PUSH RODS

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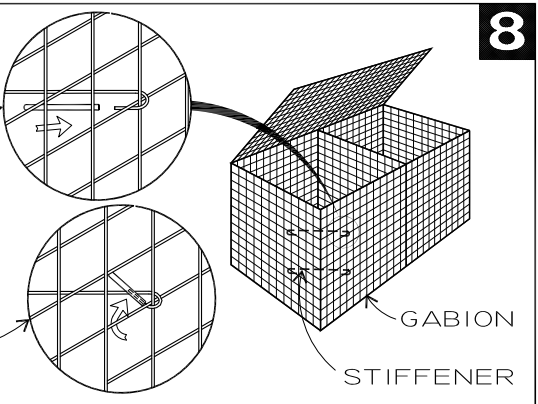
SLIDE THE FLAT END OF THE PUSH ROD OVER THE END OF THE HOOK ON THE STIFFENER

ROTATE THE PUSH ROD UP AND AROUND TO TWIST THE END OF THE STIFFENER AND SECURE IT FOR THE BACKFILL OPERATION



BEGIN THE FILL

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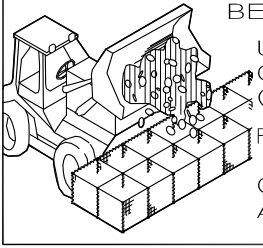
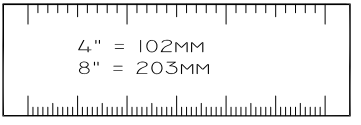


CHECK THE WALL ALIGNMENT BEFORE YOU BEGIN BACKFILLING.

USE 4" TO 8" CLEAN STONE, OR CHECK THE PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS (SOME REQUIRE DIFFERENT SIZES).

PLACE THE STONE IN 9" OR 12" LIFTS (SEE SPECS). SPREAD IT BY HAND TO MINIMIZE VOIDS. TAKE CARE TO KEEP THE BASKETS SQUARE AND THE DIAPHRAGMS STRAIGHT.



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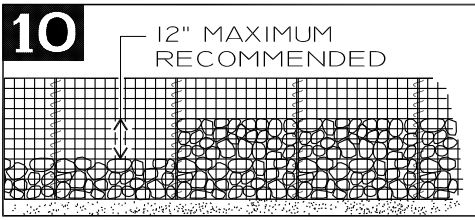

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE FILL IN ANY CELL NEVER BE MORE THAN 12" HIGHER THAN THE FILL IN AN ADJOINING CELL.

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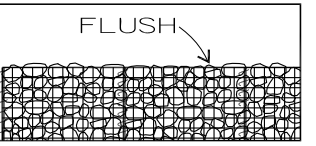
CONTINUE FILLING THE GABIONS IN 12" LIFTS UNTIL THEY ARE FILLED. FILL FLUSH OR SLIGHTLY ABOVE THE TOP OF THE GABION.



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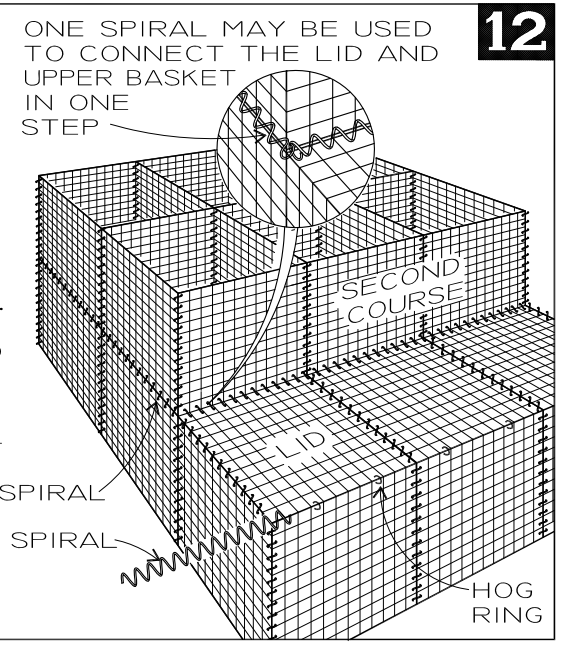
LOWER THE LIDS. YOU MAY USE HOG RINGS FOR TEMPORARY CONNECTIONS. INSTALL SPIRALS AT ALL PERIMETER AND DIAPHRAGM EDGES.

PLACE THE NEXT COURSE OF GABIONS. USE SPIRALS TO PERMANENTLY BIND THE FRONT, BACK AND SIDES TO THE FILLED GABIONS OR PER THE PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS.

REPEAT STEPS (4) THRU (12) TO THE TOP OF THE STRUCTURE.



12" = 305MM

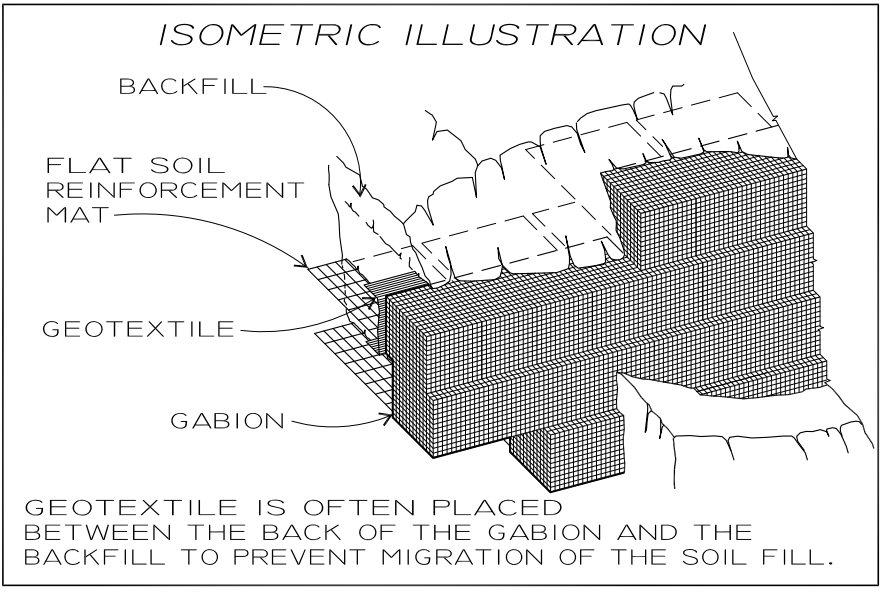
NOTES

GABION-FACED M.S.E. WALL

The Hilfiker Gabion Faced M.S.E. Wall combines **ArtWeld Gabions** at the face of the structure, with welded wire soil reinforcement mats spaced vertically at 3-foot intervals.

The "scissor-style" gabions are manufactured in lengths up to 18 feet. "Scissor-style" refers to the folding pattern of the gabions. They are partially pre-assembled at our factory, with the vertical edges of the diaphragms permanently connected to the vertical faces, and the lid and bottom panels connected to the main body along one long side. They are folded flat for shipment.

The wire gauge and length of the welded wire soil reinforcement mats will vary as required for each specific site.



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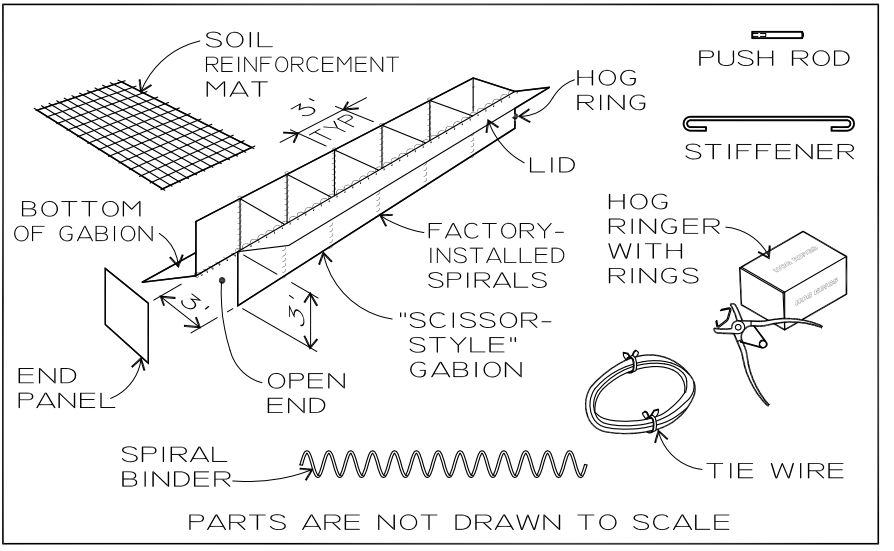
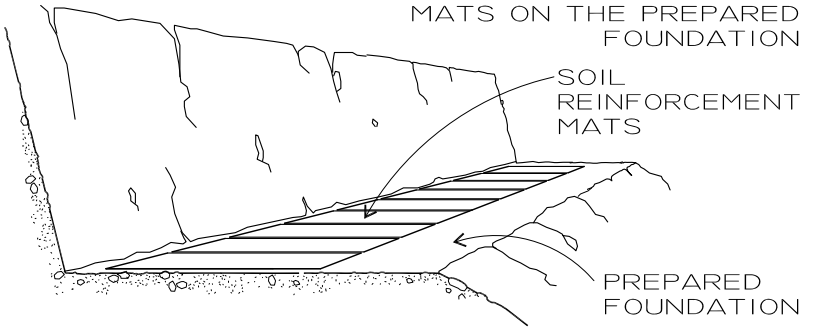
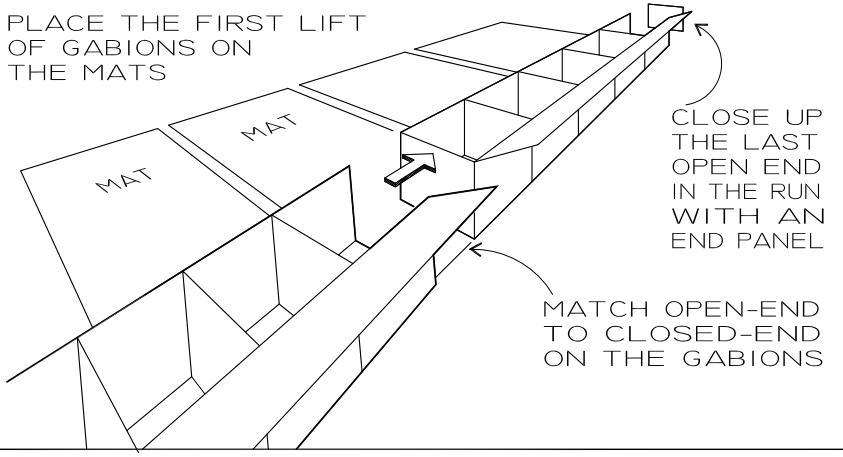


13 BEGIN THE GABION FACED M.S.E. WALL BY PLACING THE SOIL REINFORCEMENT MATS ON THE PREPARED FOUNDATION



14 UNFOLD THE GABIONS AND CLOSE THE BOTTOM PANELS. YOU CAN CLIP THEM TEMPORARILY WITH HOG RINGS.



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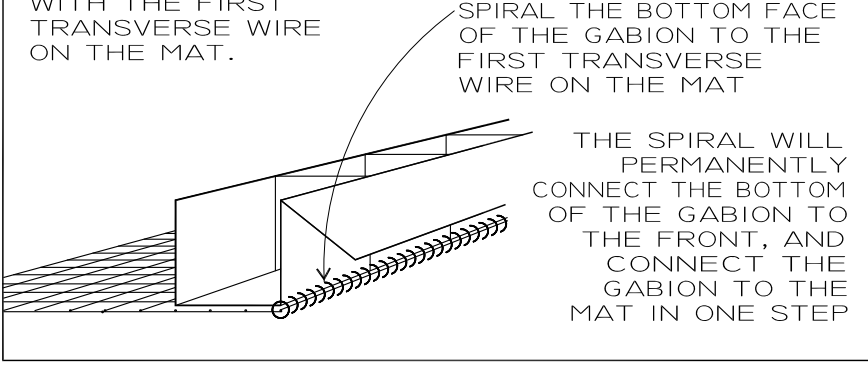

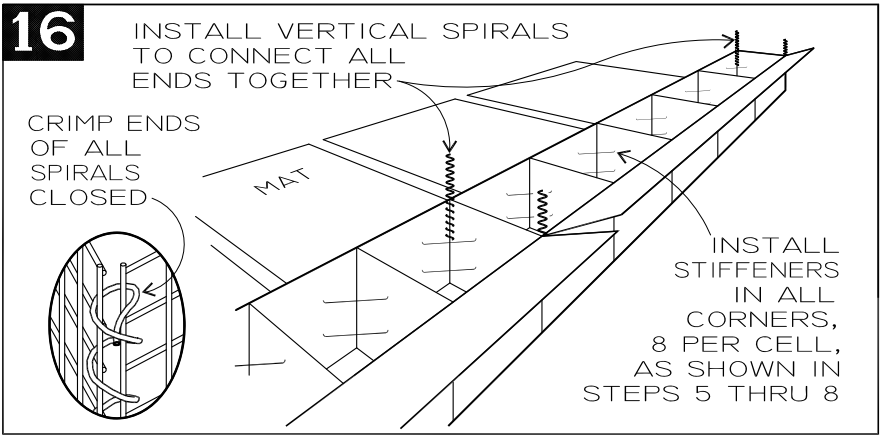

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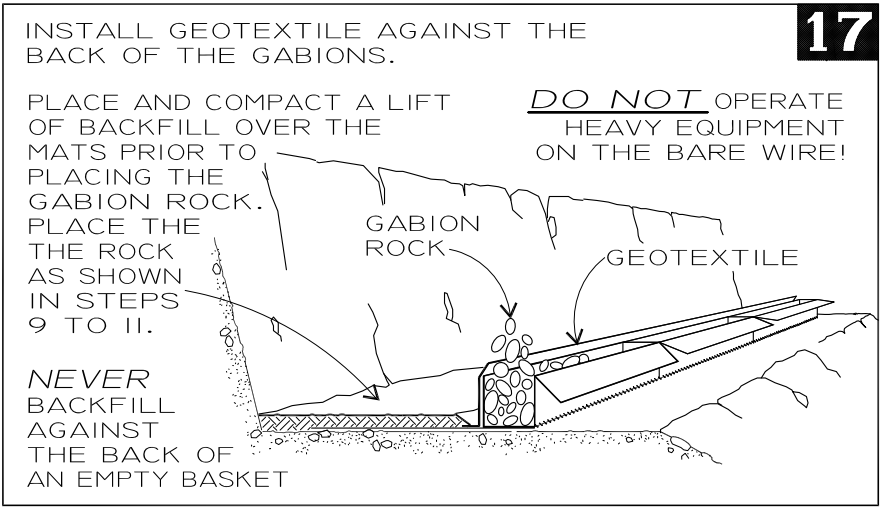
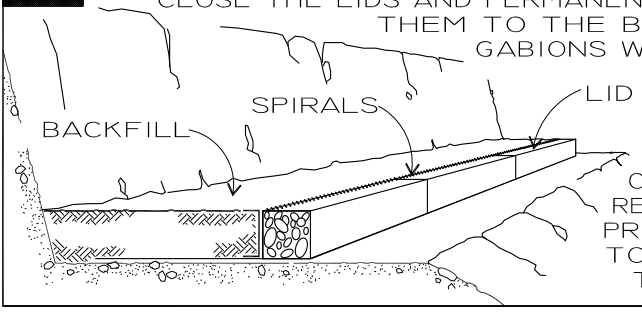
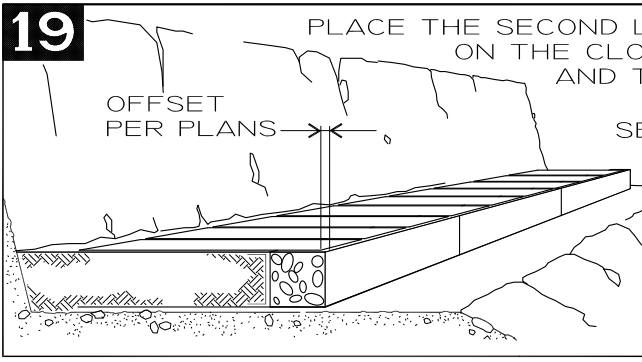


18 WHEN THE GABIONS ARE FILLED WITH ROCK, CLOSE THE LIDS AND PERMANENTLY CONNECT THEM TO THE BACK OF THE GABIONS WITH SPIRALS.



COMPLETE THE SOIL BACKFILL AND COMPACTION AS REQUIRED IN THE PROJECT PLANS TO THE TOP OF THE BASKETS

19 PLACE THE SECOND LIFT OF MATS ON THE CLOSED GABIONS AND THE BACKFILL



SET THE FIRST TRANSVERSE WIRE ON THE MATS 6" BACK FROM THE FACE OF THE GABIONS. SEE STEP 21.

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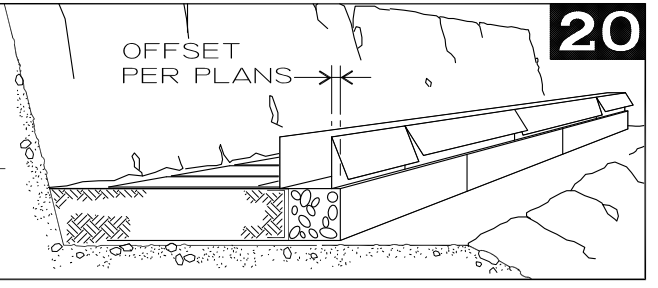
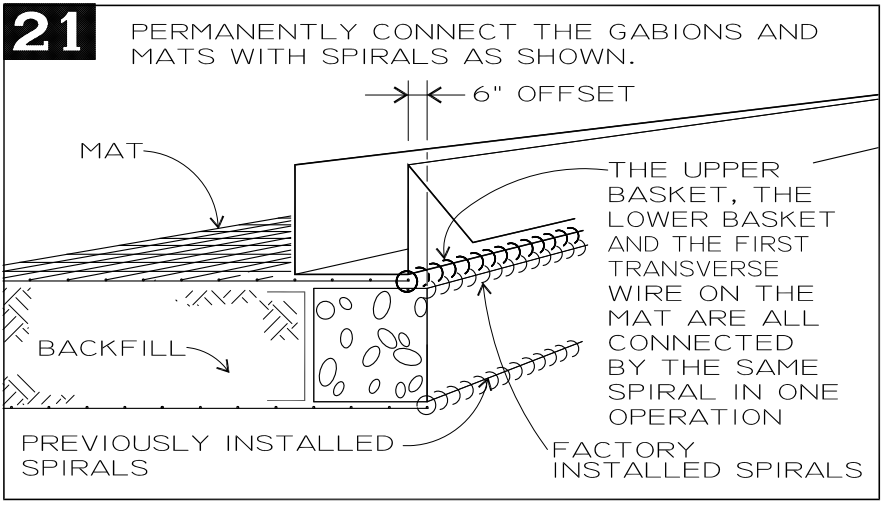
PLACE THE SECOND ROW OF GABIONS ON THE MATS, WITH THE FRONT FACE OFFSET FROM THE GABIONS BELOW

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PERMANENTLY CONNECT THE GABIONS AND MATS WITH SPIRALS AS SHOWN.
6" OFFSET
MAT
THE UPPER BASKET, THE LOWER BASKET AND THE FIRST TRANSVERSE WIRE ON THE MAT ARE ALL CONNECTED BY THE SAME SPIRAL IN ONE OPERATION
BACKFILL
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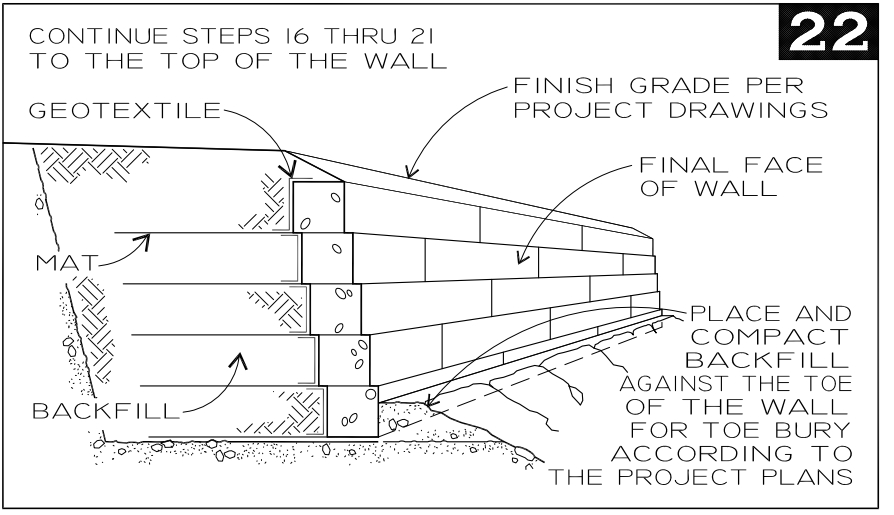
FACTORY INSTALLED SPIRALS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CONTINUE STEPS 16 THRU 21 TO THE TOP OF THE WALL
GEOTEXTILE
FINISH GRADE PER PROJECT DRAWINGS
FINAL FACE OF WALL
MAT
PLACE AND COMPACT BACKFILL AGAINST THE TOE OF THE WALL FOR TOE BURY ACCORDING TO THE PROJECT PLANS
BACKFILL

FORMING ANGLES WITH GABIONS

TO FORM A CONVEX ANGLE
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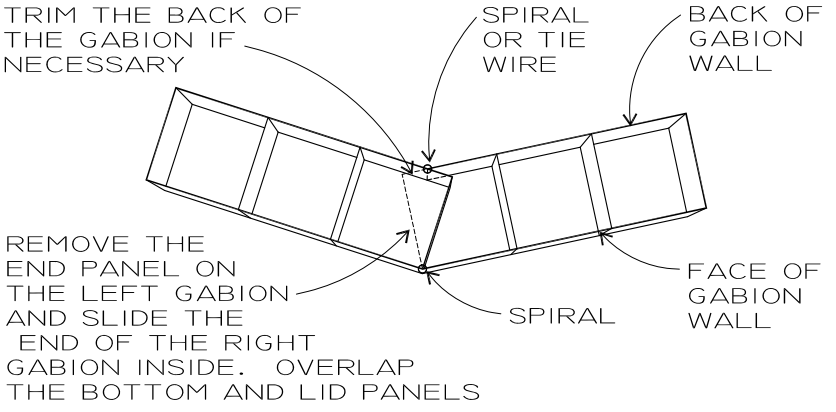

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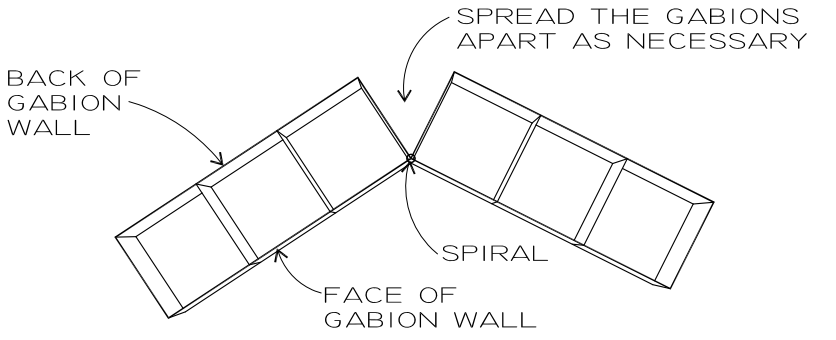
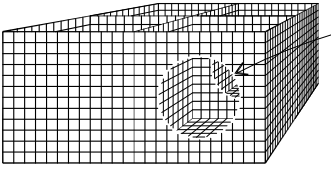


PIPE PENETRATION THRU GABION



CUT A HOLE THRU THE WALLS OF THE GABION, THE SAME SIZE AS THE OUTSIDE DIAMETER OF THE PIPE

EXTERIOR GABION

PUSH THE PIPE THRU THE HOLES AND INSTALL TIE WIRE ACROSS THE FACES OF THE EXTERIOR GABIONS AS SHOWN, APPROXIMATELY 9" APART

TIE WIRE

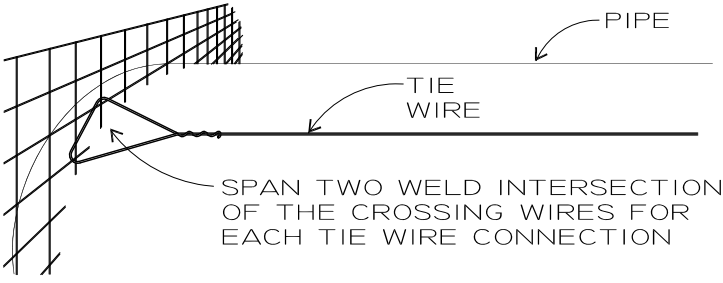
PIPE

PLACE ROCK UNDER AND AROUND THE PIPE

TIE WIRE

EXTERIOR GABION

PLAN VIEW



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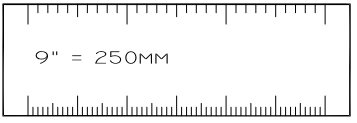

GABION WIRE SPECIFICATIONS

USA WIRE GAUGE	DIAMETER, INCHES	MINIMUM ALLOWABLE AVERAGE GABION WIRE DIAMETER WITH CLASS 3 ZINC-COATING, INCHES
9	.148	.144
11	.120	.116
13.5	.086	.082 (STANDARD TIE WIRE)

SOIL REINFORCEMENT MAT WIRE SIZE COMPARISON TABLE

"W" SIZE NUMBER	NOMINAL DIAMETER (INCHES)	NOMINAL DIAMETER (MM)
W12.0	.391	9.9
W9.5	.348	8.8
W7.0	.299	7.6
W4.5	.239	6.1
W4.0	.226	5.7
W3.5	.211	5.4

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WELDED WIRE REINFORCEMENT (WWR) CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR THE WIRE REINFORCEMENT INSTITUTE. WWW.WIREREINFORCEMENTINSTITUTE.ORG

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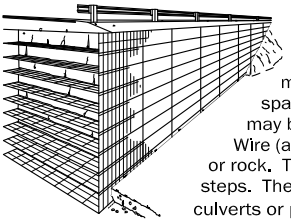
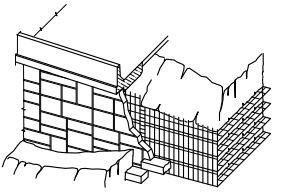


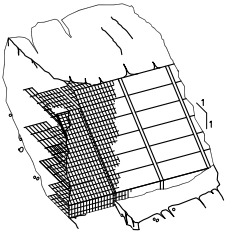
WELDED WIRE WALL

The Hilfiker Welded Wire Retaining Wall is a flexible soil reinforcement system. It is composed of Welded Wire Mesh mats and compacted soil. Mats are supplied in 8' (2.44m) spans, and 24" (610mm) horizontal lifts. The final wall face may be vertical or battered, and may remain exposed Welded Wire (as shown) or may be covered with air-blown mortar, plants or rock. The Welded Wire Wall is adaptable to curves, angles and steps. The mats are easily cut to permit installation of penetrating culverts or pipes, or to fit special site applications.

EUREKA REINFORCED SOIL (E.R.S.)

The Hilfiker E.R.S. Retaining Wall begins as a Welded Wire Wall, with the addition of face anchors to tie to a concrete face. After completion and settlement of the Welded Wire Wall, a solid facing is attached. This may be cast-in-place concrete, precast full-height concrete panels, or special rock or gunite as required by the project specifications. The facial treatment of this retaining wall adapts easily to almost any pattern or concept.

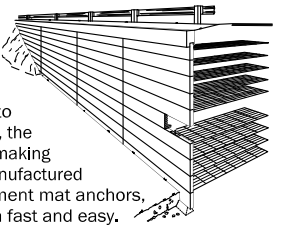




HILFIKER STEEPENED SLOPE

The Hilfiker Steepened Slope system is composed of Welded Wire Fabric components. The flat primary soil reinforcement mats are interlocked with bent facing mats, prefabricated to a 1:1 slope. The slope may be flattened, if desired, by stepping back each layer. Behind the facing mats are Welded Wire Fabric backing mats incorporated with erosion mat or sod. Virtually any type of sod or vegetation that will best suit the environment may be used with this sytem. Low-growth, maintenance–free vegetation is typically specified.

REINFORCED SOIL EMBANKMENT (SMOOTH FACE)



The R.S.E. Smooth Face Retaining Wall retains most of the advantages of the Hilfiker Welded Wire Wall, while providing the additional durability of precast face panels.
The concrete panels can be cast with a smooth finish, or to match a variety of architectural treatments. In most structures, the simple 12'-6" x 2'-6" (3.81m x 0.76m) standard panel is used, making all the panels interchangeable. Special panel sizes can be manufactured when required. Panels are cast with pre-installed reinforcement mat anchors, and a cantilever footing at the back face, making installation fast and easy.

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ASTM	AASHTO	Standard Specification Description
A1064 *	M 336 **	Steel Wire and Welded Wire, Plain and Deformed
A53		Steel Pipe
A500-03a		Steel Tubing
A36		Carbon Structural Steel
A370	T 244	Test Methods & Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products
A123	M 111	Zinc (Hot-Dip Galvanized) Coatings on Iron and Steel Products (2 oz. / SF galvanization)
A641		Zinc–Coated (Galvanized) Carbon Steel Wire (class 3 galvanization)
A740 - 98(2014)		Hardware Cloth (Woven or Welded Galvanized Steel Wire Fabric)

**ASTM A82 and A185 were combined in 2010 into A1064*
***AASHTO M 32 and M 55 were combined in 2018 into M 336*

It is assumed that construction and workmanship meet all material requirements and specifications as provided by Hilfiker. All backfill materials are provided by the Contractor who is solely responsible for the material quality and the installation of the backfill. Not covered by any implied or express warranty would be foundation settlement, settlement of the backfill, erosion of the foundation soils, or corrosion of the reinforcement due to the use of non-conforming backfill, and other external stability matters. Hilfiker Retaining Walls cannot offer a performance warranty because we have no control over the wall materials after delivery to the jobsite.

The design associated with this warranty was based on information provided to Hilfiker and their consulting engineer by the Owner/Contractor. The consulting engineer who prepared the associated design has a valid license and provides professional liability coverage. Their obligation is to live up to the standard of practice (standard of care) for the given geographic location at the time the service is, or was provided. Alterations to their design submittals, without prior approval, will nullify any responsibility on their part.

Hilfiker Retaining Walls requires that the wall components are manufactured to the stipulated ASTM standards as well as internal quality assurance standards for fabrication. However, we do not exercise control over the construction, use, or the service conditions to which the wall is subjected and thus would void our insurance by attempting to extend coverage into areas for which we have no control.

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