

thickness Geotextile with cushioning layer in m 0.50 Geotextile with Filtration Class II, Strength Class E, to MRTS27 and minimum 150 thick cushioning layer with material D85 < 75mm 0.75 Heavy duty non-woven geotextile with the following properties: 1.00 Grab Strength ≥ 2500N, Tear Strength ≥ 900N, CBR Burst Strength ≥ 8000N, G Rating \geq 8500, Flow rate \geq 20 I/m²/s, EOS \leq 0.1mm, with minimum 150 thick 1.25 cushioning layer with material D85 < 75mm. Note: Currently MRTS27 does not cover geotextile to this requirement. 1.60 MRTS27 will be amended in the future to include this requirement.

- 1. Bridge abutment protections shall be designed in accordance with Design Criteria for Bridges and Other Structures and Bridge Scour Manual.
- 2. The purpose of this drawing is to provide standard details for protection height up to 6.0m and fitness for purpose shall be determined and RPEQ certified by the bridge design engineer to suit the specific bridge site. Project specific protection design and supplementary specification shall be developed and included in the project design documentation.
- In accordance with Workplace Health and Safety requirements, abutment headstocks must be easily accessible to allow them to be inspected and maintained. Where the clearance is no greater than 1700 high, this can be done by walking around the base of the protection. If the clearance is greater than 1700, a platform shall be provided 1700 from the underside of the bridge. A risk assessment shall determine the best method of accessing the inspection platform and shall be detailed in the project drawings.
- 3. Rocks used for riprap protection shall comply with Rock fill section of MRTSO4 except for rock sizes, shall be in accordance with this Standard Drawing.
- Concrete platform shall be S32/20 in accordance with MRTS70.
- Geotextile filter material shall be in accordance with MRTS27.
- 6. Design of spillthrough batter stability including Geotechnical Factor of Safety for batter stability shall be in accordance with Geotechnical Design Standard — Minimum Requirements, Riprap protection shall not be considered for stability of the abutment / embankment fill. When designing abutment protection, consideration shall be given to the strength of the subsoil material.
- Width of the toe protection shall be modified to suit project specific scour situation in accordance with the project scour assessment. Alternative toe protections can be considered as required by the project specific scour assessment.
- Abutment protection on the upstream side of the road embankment shall extend along the embankment past the abutment for a distance of not less than 10m, and on the downstream side of the same for a distance of three times the height of the road embankment, but not less than 10m, as shown. If the protection along the embankment is less than 10m, due to meeting existing ground surface, terminate the protection to engage 1m minimum into the ground. Actual extent of the riprap protection along the embankment shall be determined to suit project specific requirements.
- 9. Rocks for riprap protection shall be placed in a manner which ensures that the larger rocks are uniformly distributed throughout the protection work, and that the smaller rocks effectively fill the spaces between the large rocks without leaving any large voids. The layers of placed rock shall be of even thickness and of even grading.
- 10. Bridge construction sequence shall be taken into consideration when constructing the scour protection. The riprap protection shall be placed before the bridge beams are erected on the end span. Consideration shall be given to avoid potential damage to bridge foundation and substructure with regard to falling rocks while the rocks are being placed.
- 11. The rock placing operation shall minimise the chances of rock running loose and damaging adjacent areas. Rock deposited in areas outside the riprap protection zone shall be recovered.
- 12. Rock shall be placed in a manner so as to not damage the geotextile. Maximum rock drop height shall be confirmed with geotextile manufacturer prior to placing of rocks.
- 13. Dimensions are in millimetres unless shown otherwise.

14. SETTING OUT POINTS shown thus

ASSOCIATED DEPARTMENTAL DOCUMENTS:

Bridge Scour Manual

Design Criteria for Bridges and Other Structures Geotechnical Design Standard - Minimum Requirements

MRTS04 General Earthworks

MRTS27 Geotextiles (Separation and Filtration)

MRTS70 Concrete

LEGISLATION: Work Health and Safety Act 2011; Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011

