

## Temporary Erosion Control Information

The purpose of temporary Erosion Controls (EC) is to slow and temporarily hold rain and snow melt, and allow the settling out of sediments, thereby filtering sediment-laden runoff. **The purpose of this TEC is not to stop soil from eroding; it is to keep eroded materials out of wetlands.** EC is placed downgradient of work areas, and upgradient of wetland resource areas to protect them from damage during construction. When all exposed areas are permanently stabilized (e.g., vegetated, paved, etc.) EC products must be removed and properly disposed of. Removal of EC must be pre-approved by the Conservation Office.

The Ipswich Conservation Commission (ICC) requires EC in the form of minimum 12" diameter staked filter rolls (compost or bark mulch-filled wattles), such as Filtrex<sup>®</sup> or Silt Sock<sup>®</sup>. In certain circumstances straw-filled wattles may be allowed, at the ICC's sole discretion, for smaller and shorter-term projects. **The ICC requires that netting associated with filter rolls contain NO plastic.** This includes photodegradable plastic netting. The ICC may allow, or may require on sites with steep slopes, the installation of double-staked and closely butted straw bales, backed by entrenched and staked siltation fence; or multiple rows of staked filter rolls along a slope. Additional erosion controls may be required to keep soil in place, such as a layer of straw mulch, erosion control mats or blankets (e.g., straw, excelsior, or coir fiber) or hydroseed with tackifier. **Netting associated with mats and blankets may not contain plastic.**

Below is a list of local suppliers that carry or can order most EC products acceptable in Ipswich.

### Local Suppliers (in alphabetical order)

D. R. Earp (Middleton)	(978)774-1667
E J Prescott Inc. (Middleton)	(978)777-7738
Middleton Farm Supply	(978)777-1050
MVK Silt Sock (Rowley)	(978)204-9483
Probark (Plaistow, NH)	(603)382-6860

### Manufacturers (in alphabetical order) for information about many EC products

Name	Phone number	Website
American Excelsior Co.	(800)777-SOIL	<a href="http://www.curlex.com">www.curlex.com</a>
Filtrex	(877)542-7699	<a href="http://www.filtrex.com">www.filtrex.com</a>
GEI Works	(772)646-0597	<a href="http://www.erosioncontrol-products.com">www.erosioncontrol-products.com</a>
Silt Sock	(608)438-7625	<a href="http://www.siltsock.net">www.siltsock.net</a>

**DISCLAIMER:** This list is not meant to imply endorsement or recommendation by the Ipswich Conservation Commission. The companies listed here are merely those with whom the Commission is aware of that may sell and / or install temporary erosion control measures. This list was produced to meet frequent requests from the public who wondering where erosion control can be purchased. The Commission in no way guarantees services provided by these companies.