



# ARTIFICIAL TURF PERMIT GUIDELINES

## FOR SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES

**(There is no City rebate for artificial turf.)**

**Total Fee: See latest Fee Schedule adopted by City Council.**

### Artificial Turf Standards.

- a. Artificial turf shall have polyethylene monofilament fiber with a minimum grass zone pile height of 1.5 inches.
- b. A minimum face weight of 42 ounces per square yard of unfilled artificial turf.
- c. Artificial turf installations requiring infill materials shall use infill of the silica sand variety. Rubber infill made from old tires is not acceptable for use as infill for artificial turf.
- d. All electric, water, gas and irrigation lines and conduits shall be run outside the perimeter of an artificial turf installation with the exception of those that provide direct service to the residence.
- e. An appropriate solid barrier device (i.e. concrete mow strip) is required to separate artificial turf from soil and live vegetation.
- f. Artificial turf shall be lead free.
- g. Artificial turf shall be trimmed to fit against all regular and irregular edges to resemble a natural look.
- h. Artificial turf shall be designed to allow water to percolate through the synthetic grass at a minimum drain rate of 30 inches per hour to an adequate drainage system installed underneath the artificial turf to prevent run-off, pooling, and flooding.
- i. All artificial turf shall have a warranty that protects against color fading and a decrease in pile height.
- j. A minimum four (4) year manufacturer's warranty is required for a "do it yourself" homeowner's installation; and a minimum eight (8) year manufacturer's warranty is required for an installation certified by the manufacturer.

### Step One: Fill out the Artificial Turf Permit Application.

An artificial turf permit application is required prior to the installation. A completed application should include the following items:

1. One copy of a landscape plan drawn to scale (refer to the Project Plan Requirements supplement).

2. A sample of the artificial turf material and infill material (refer to the Project Plan Requirements supplement).
3. Installation Details and Warranty Information.
4. Material Specifications (i.e. face weight, pile height, composition, etc.).
5. Photographs of the Site.

### **Step Two: Provide a Basic Landscape Plan.**

One copy of a landscape plan drawn to scale should indicate the following:

- a. Scale and north arrow.
- b. Boundaries/property lines of subject property, streets and easements.
- c. A cross section detail that shows the installation method and identifies the amount and type of materials used.
- d. Identify the percentage of the front yard that is artificial turf, hardscape, and live plant materials.

### **Step Three: Submit the application, one landscape plan, pay permit fee.**

Turn in your application, one landscape plan (refer to Project Plan Requirements supplement) to the La Palma City Hall Planning Division at La Palma City Hall: 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, CA 90623. Upon submission of your application you will be required to pay the permit fee. Cash, check, and credit card are accepted forms. Please refer to the most current adopted Planning Fees Schedule No. 2 for fee amount.

### **Step Four: Administrative Review and Approval.**

The Planning Division will review your application and additional materials and will either return the plans to you for corrections or approve the plans over the counter. If the City denies the application, the Applicant may appeal to the Development Committee at a Public Hearing. When the Planning Division staff gives your landscaping plans a stamp of approval, you may proceed and begin installation immediately.

#### **For More Information Contact:**

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# ARTIFICIAL TURF PERMIT APPLICATION

**FOR SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES**

**PERMIT NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

**(This is not an application for a rebate.)**

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Applicant Name:	Phone:	Email:	
Address:	City:	State:	Zip:

### *Section 1: Turf Information*

Turf Manufacturer	Material:	Pile Height:
Infill Type (if used):	Is the artificial turf lead free?	Face Weight:
Will this be self-installation?*	Manufacturer's Warranty:	

\*If not, please fill out the information below. If answered yes, skip section 2.

### *Section 2: Installation Information*

Installation Company Name:	Office Phone:	Fax:	
Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Manufacturer's Warranty:	Date of Installation:		

### *Section 3: Landscape Plan*

*On attached sheets, layout the locations of the following items: the proposed area for turf installation, streets, property boundaries, and areas of live plants. Also, provide photos of the proposed area for turf installation.*

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that all of the applicable items required in this application are to the best of my knowledge and belief true and correctly represented. I understand that failure to submit all applicable information may be cause for denial of the application.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Applicant

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Applicant Signature

**Office Use Only:**

Date Received: _____ / _____ / _____	Fee Paid: Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Amount: \$ _____
Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Denial <input type="checkbox"/> By:			
Comments/Conditions:			
Copy: Code Enforcement Division <input type="checkbox"/> Building Division <input type="checkbox"/>			