

TORPEDO BASE BLOCK INSTALL INSTRUCTIONS

IDEAL BASE FOR:

- Freestanding & Retaining Wall Systems
- Curved & Straight Walls
- Column Builds

COMPATIBLE WITH:

- Diamond
- Diamond Prot
- Highland Stone
- Sterling
- Belair Wall 2.0
- Brisa
- Tandem Wall System

PREPARE LEVELING PAD

Excavate for the leveling pad. The trench should be a minimum of 24 inches wide and should be 10 inches deep.

Create a leveling pad of compacted base material that extends a minimum of 6 inches in front of and 6 inches behind the base units. This leveling pad should be at least 6 inches deep after compaction. *See Diagram 1.*

BASE COURSE

Install the Torpedo® base block with the hand-holds down. Place blocks so the outside curve of one block fits into the inside curve of the block next to it. Blocks should touch. Level blocks front to back and side to side with a dead-blow hammer. The base course will be buried. *See Diagram 2.*

STEPPING UP THE BASE

Walls built on a sloping grade require a stepped base. Begin excavation at the lowest point and dig a level trench, 24 inches wide, into the slope until it is deep enough to accommodate the base material and one entire base block.

At this point, step up the height of one block and begin a new section of base trench. Use a 6-inch-high unit on the base course to level the base unit that is stepped up. *See Diagram 3.* Continue to step up as needed to top of slope. Always bury at least one full base block at each step-up.



Diagram 1 – Leveling Pad



Diagram 2 – Base Course

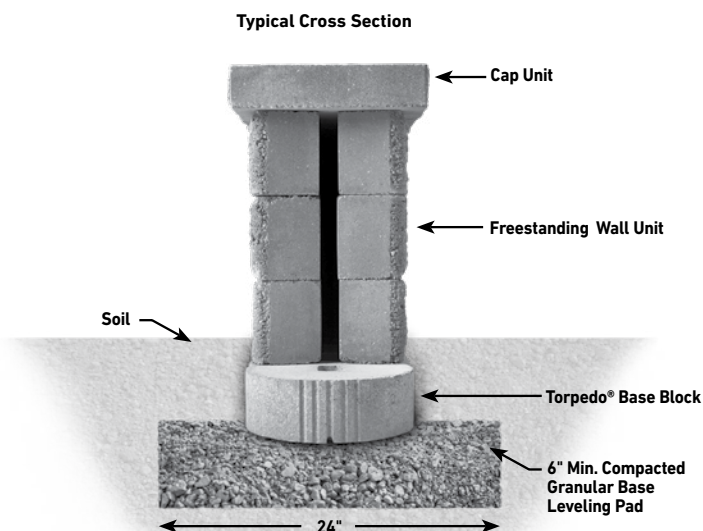


Diagram 3 – Stepping Up the Base