STANDARD INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

GRAVEL BASE

Gravel Fill shall be a clean angular stone or angular granular fill meeting the following gradation as determined in accordance with ASTM D 422.

Sieve Size	Percent Passing
1-in	100
3/4-in	75-100
No. 4	0-60
No. 40	0-50
No. 200	0-12

FOUNDATION PREPARATION

Following excavation of the leveling pad, foundation soil shall be examined to assure the actual foundation soil strength meets or exceeds the assumed design bearing strength. Soils not meeting the required strength shall be removed and replaced with soil meeting the design criteria.



Scan for Fortified Installation Method to be used with soft soils or expanding clays

LEVELING PAD PREPARATION

A minimum 18-in thick layer or compacted granular material shall be placed for use as a leveling pad up to the grades and locations as shown on the construction drawings. The granular base shall be compacted to a firm, level bearing pad on which to place the bottom level of the unit. A leveling pad consisting of 6-in (minimum) thick lean, unreinforced concrete may be used at the contractor's option, or if so detailed on the plans. The leveling pad should extend a minimum of 6-in from the toe and from the hell of the unit base.

GRAVEL FILL

Gravel fill shall be placed to the minimum finished thickness and width shown on the construction plans.

Gravel lifts shall be a maximum thickness of 6-in.

Lifts shall be compacted by three passes of a light weight vibratory plate compactor.

For areas not affected by freeze-thaw conditions please contact your local Belgard sales representative for further installation information.