## Mulch: Frequently Asked Questions

## Q: Why should I mulch?

A: Mulch retains moisture and retards weed germination and growth. Mulch also insulates the soil from heat in summer months and cold temperatures in winter. When mulch is applied around plant material, it helps to modify the soil's environment and enhance plant growth. Various organic mulches add nutrients to the soil as it breaks down. Mulch also helps to reduce erosion. Mulch is extremely important for establishing plantings and adds beauty to your yard and landscape.

## Q: Is there a minimum quantity for delivery?

A: There is no minimum quantity.

## Q: What is a cubic yard?

A: A cubic yard is 27 cubic feet ( 3 feet wide, by 3 feet long, by 3 feet deep). A cubic yard of mulch covers a 10 by 10 ' area at 3 inches deep. Use our online calculator to determine your project area.

## Q: Do you install mulch?

A: We install all our landscaping products and are licensed landscape contractors.

## Q: How much mulch will I need?

A: Determine the square foot measurement of your area(s) to be mulched. If your bed is round, just square it for obtaining the approximate square feet. Multiply length by width in feet. Determine how deep you are going to apply your mulch in inches. Multiply your total square feet by the depth in inches. Divide the answer by 324 (inches in a cubic yard) and this will give you the cubic yards. Bulk mulch is sold in cubic yards and bagged mulch is sold in cubic feet. It takes 27 cubic feet to equal 1 cubic yard. Most bagged mulches come in 2 cubic foot bags. So it would take 13.5 bags of cubic mulch to equal 1 cubic yard of bulk mulch

Q: How deep should I apply mulch?
A: Too much mulch is not always better. Ground wood and bark mulches should be applied no more than 3 inches thick, which is probably about 2 inches after settling.

## Q: Can I pick up my landscape materials or do you deliver?

A: You can pick up any of our landscape materials or we can deliver in one of our trucks. Landscape materials such as topsoil and fill dirt weigh about 2000 pounds per yard. Most pick up trucks hold $1-2$ yards of mulch but only $1 / 2$ to 1 ton of based on the carrying weight of the vehicle. If we deliver, we charge a flat rate per truck based on where the product is being delivered. See specific prices listed on our products page or call (952-445-2326).

## Q: How much sod will I need?

A: Our sod comes in rolls that are $2^{\prime} 0^{\prime \prime}$ wide by $6^{\prime} 10^{\prime \prime}$ long or 13.5 square feet per roll. Find the square foot measurement of your area and divide by 13.5 and this will tell you how many rolls you will need. You may need some extra to compensate for loss in cutting the sod. A pallet of sod will contain either 50 or 54 rolls.

