

shall not contain holes, tears, stains, discoloration, seam separations, uplifted surfaces, heat degradation or excessive wear. Artificial turf shall be installed and maintained to effectively simulate the appearance of a well-maintained lawn.

02. In the event that artificial turf is located in an area where public or private agencies perform utility installation, maintenance or repair, or street maintenance or repair, the property owner shall be responsible for any and all costs attributed to damage of the turf as a result of aforementioned utility or street work as set forth in the encroachment agreement.
- 4) Other concrete and/or asphalt pavement surfaces may not be used within the minimum required landscape area, except for driveway crossings and sidewalks.
 - 5) Organic mulch is allowed and encouraged around the base of trees and plants to conserve moisture and control weeds. A mulch ring three feet (3') in diameter composed of hardwood mulch at least three inches (3") in depth is recommended.
 - g) Installation Conflicts. Landscape contractor shall notify the Planning Department prior to planting of any conflicts that arise in the field that prohibit plant material from being installed in accordance with the approved plan. Planning staff will meet with the contractor in the field to resolve such conflicts prior to planting. Any changes to the approved plan will be noted and kept on file.
 - h) Visibility clearance at intersections. The landscaping requirements in this section shall be modified in their application as necessary so as to leave visibility clearance triangles unobstructed, as defined in Section 28-13 of the municipal code of ordinances.
 - i) Maintenance. Upon installation of required landscape materials, each owner shall take appropriate actions to insure their continued health and maintenance. Required landscaping that does not remain healthy shall be replaced consistent with this section and the approved Landscape Plan for the project.
 - j) Maintenance of plant materials and planting areas may consist of, but is not limited to, the following seasonal tasks; mulching and re-mulching, pruning, weed control, fertilizing, pest control, litter control, and watering.
 - k) Watering. Automatic, underground sprinkler systems with water saving heads and drip style irrigation are encouraged to promote plant survivability and growth. Other watering methods may be used, however any plants that perish as a result of inadequate watering shall be replaced.
 - l) On-going Timing and Enforcement. Landscaping that is not installed, maintained, or replaced as needed to comply with this chapter shall be considered a violation of this section and shall be subject to the penalty as described in Section 29-5.

Section 24-4. List of Recommended and Prohibited Plant Material:

A list of trees may be available through the Planning Department of the City of Minot and through the Minot Park District, Forestry Department. Contact these agencies for availability. The list contains species, varieties, and cultivars that have proven to be tolerant of the climatic conditions in a northern urban environment. Trees that are prohibited from being planted in certain locations, or totally banned, are also listed. Substitution of trees not included on the recommended list is possible. The Planning Department will review the plan and provide written notice if any of the proposed plant material is not acceptable along with recommended substitutions.

