

# **SCHNEIDERS®** **MUD MANAGEMENT PANEL**



## **Installation guide**

**!** To assemble, check to ensure that all necessary parts are included. Please follow the assembly instructions carefully. **!**

## TOOLS & MATERIALS NEEDED

- Mud management panels
- Heavy duty landscaping fabric (geotextile fabric)
- Rock filler (recommended options below)
- Shovel, rake, or grading tool
- Tamper or compactor (manual or powered)
- Utility knife (for trimming fabric if needed)
- Work gloves
- Zip Ties

## ROCK FILLER RECOMMENDATIONS

Choosing the correct filler is crucial for performance.

Recommended rock fillers include:



### 3/8" to 3/4" Crushed Rock

Ideal for most applications (great for paddocks, livestock areas, and high-traffic pasture gate zones).



### Varied Particle Size Gravel

Made of Mixed particles from dust to larger stones that settle well into cracks and help lock everything together.



### Angular Gravel

Offers better interlocking and stability. This is typically crushed aggregate that lock together well and prevents shifting for better stability (best for a smooth and even fill).



### Avoid Sand, Soil, & Pea Gravel

These materials will either compact or prevent proper drainage.

## INSTRUCTIONS

### STEP 1. Site Preparation

#### A. Clear the Area:

Remove any large debris, rocks, or excessive vegetation from the installation site.

#### B. Level the Ground:

If necessary, grade the surface to ensure a relatively even base. Slight slopes are acceptable, but avoid significant dips or uneven spots that could cause pooling.

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### STEP 2. Install Landscaping Fabric

#### A. Lay Down the Fabric:

Roll out a layer of heavy-duty landscaping fabric across the prepared area. This prevents mud from mixing with the rock filler and improves drainage.

#### B. Overlap if Necessary:

If using multiple sheets, overlap the edges by at least 6 inches to ensure full coverage.

#### C. Trim as Needed:

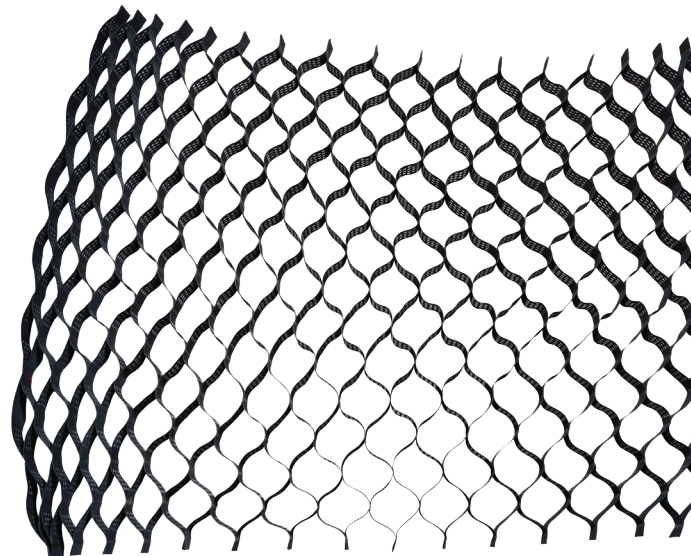
Use a utility knife to cut excess fabric around the installation area.

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### STEP 3. Install the Mud Management Panels

#### A. Expand the Panels:

Unfold and expand the panels to the desired size, ensuring they are properly aligned.



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### STEP 3. Cont.



#### B. Position the Panels Over the Fabric:

Place the panels directly on top of the landscaping fabric, making sure they are flush against one another if installing multiple units. Use the included zip ties to connect side by side panels together as needed.

#### C. Secure the Panels:

Depending on your use case, you may secure the panels with anchoring stakes into the ground (optional and not included) for additional stability.

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### STEP 4. Select & Add Rock Filler

#### A. Select your Filler *(see page 2 for more detail)*

Our recommended fillers are:



**3/8" to 3/4"  
Crushed Rock**



**Varied Particle  
Size Gravel**



**Angular  
Gravel**



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## **STEP 5. Fill the Panel Cells**

### **A. Pour Rock Filler into the Cells:**

Distribute the filler evenly across the panel, ensuring that all cells are completely filled and so that the cells are no longer showing through.

### **B. Spread the Filler Evenly:**

Use a rake to distribute the material, ensuring it settles properly inside each cell.

### **C. (Optional) Compact the Surface:**

Use a tamper or compactor to firmly settle the filler inside the cells. This step helps stabilize the surface and enhances longevity.

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## **POST-INSTALLATION TIPS & MAINTENANCE**

- Regularly inspect the surface and replenish rock filler as needed.
- Ensure Proper Drainage by checking for water buildup.
- Periodically compact high-traffic areas for best long-term performance.
- Remove debris to maintain permeability and prevent clogging.