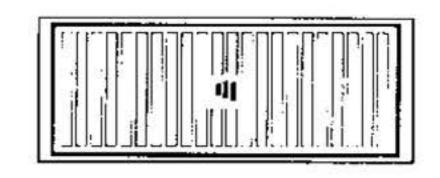
# M & M Construction Specialties

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## Presentation of Product Data

#### 1. PRODUCT NAME

#### Motzblock

High Density Polyethylene Earth Retainer Block.

#### 2. MANUFACTURER

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#### 3. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

- a. This product is a lightweight, and durable soil retainer block used to prevent expansive soil migration under a suspended building foundation.
- b. Limitations to this use are the vertical size of the opening fitting the **Motzblock's** size. To maintain an easily installed retainer the product should be stored flat, out of the sun and away from excessive heat to avoid warping.
- c. Composition of the Motzblock is High Density Polyethylene.
- d. The **Motzblock** is one piece construction.
- e. The **Motzblock** is manufactured in 48" x 14", 48" x 26", 48" x 20" and 36" x 14" panels to cover openings up to 18". These panels are trimable in the horizontal direction to any dimension.
- f. There are no accessories required for the **Motzblock**.
- g. Finish on the **Motzblock** is a semi smooth pattern.
- h. Color on the Motzblock is black.
- i. Reference standards for the High Density Polyethylene materials used in the **Motzblock** include ASTM 1248-84 standards with mechanical and thermal test available in the PAXON polymer literature.

#### 4. TECHNICAL DATA

Technical data for the **Motzblock** is contained in the following reports:

- Technical Data for grade BA50-100 high density polyethylene from PAXON Polymer Company.
- •Test results by Raba-Kistner Consultants, Inc. dated January 27, 1991 project number ASD92-031-00.

- •Test results by Raba-Kistner Consultants, Inc. dated February 11, 1992 project number ASD92-031-00.
- •Test results by Fugro-McClelland (Southwest), Inc. dated May 6, 1994 report No. 1002-2228.
- •Test results by Arias & Kezar dated June 24, 1997 report no. 97-3033-1.

#### 5. INSTALLATION

Installation of the **Motzblock** involves placing the blocks in a 2" deep trench in the bottom of the compacted excavation 3" to 8" from the face of the suspended or carton formed beam. The blocks are then leaned against the beam with a 1" overlap to form a water and soil resistant seal. Fill is then placed against the blocks in compacted lifts until the desired final grade of the area around the beam is achieved.

#### 6. AVAILABILITY AND COST

The **Motzblock** is available FOB San Antonio, Texas or from one of our stocking distributors. Our representatives can give you prices or put you in touch with the nearest stocking distributor.

#### 7. WARRANTY

The Motzblock is backed by a lifetime warranty against breakage when proper installation methods are used. The purchaser is entitled to receive new Motzblocks to replace any that fail due to faulty workmanship or defective materials. Warrantor shall not be liable hereunder for damage to Motzblocks used in any unauthorized manor. Warrantor shall not be liable for any installation or reinstallation costs or for any incidental or consequential damages and warrantor shall have no further liabilities or obligations hereunder except expressly stated herein. Nothing in this limited warranty is intended to or shall change duration of any implied warranties or shall give purchaser any implied warranties he would not otherwise have, extend same beyond their customary duration, or make Warrantor liable for any implied warranties that it would not be liable for if this limited warranty had not been given.

Some states do not allow limitations on how long any implied warranty lasts and/or the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

#### 8. MAINTENANCE

Maintenance is not required when the **Motzblock** is properly installed.

# 9. COMPETITION WITH SIMILAR PRODUCTS

The **Motzblock** competes with precast concrete retainer blocks as currently defined in specifications.

#### 10. INSTALLATIONS

A listing of installations is available upon request from M&M Construction Specialties.

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# MOTZBLOCK

# Installation Instructions without Carton Form (36" X 14" SMALL, 48" X 20" MEDIUM, 48" X 26" LARGE)

1. Prepare a trench where the Motzblock is to be installed by digging a 2-1/2 to 3-1/2 inch groove in undisturbed or compacted fill. The beam side edge of the groove should be located:

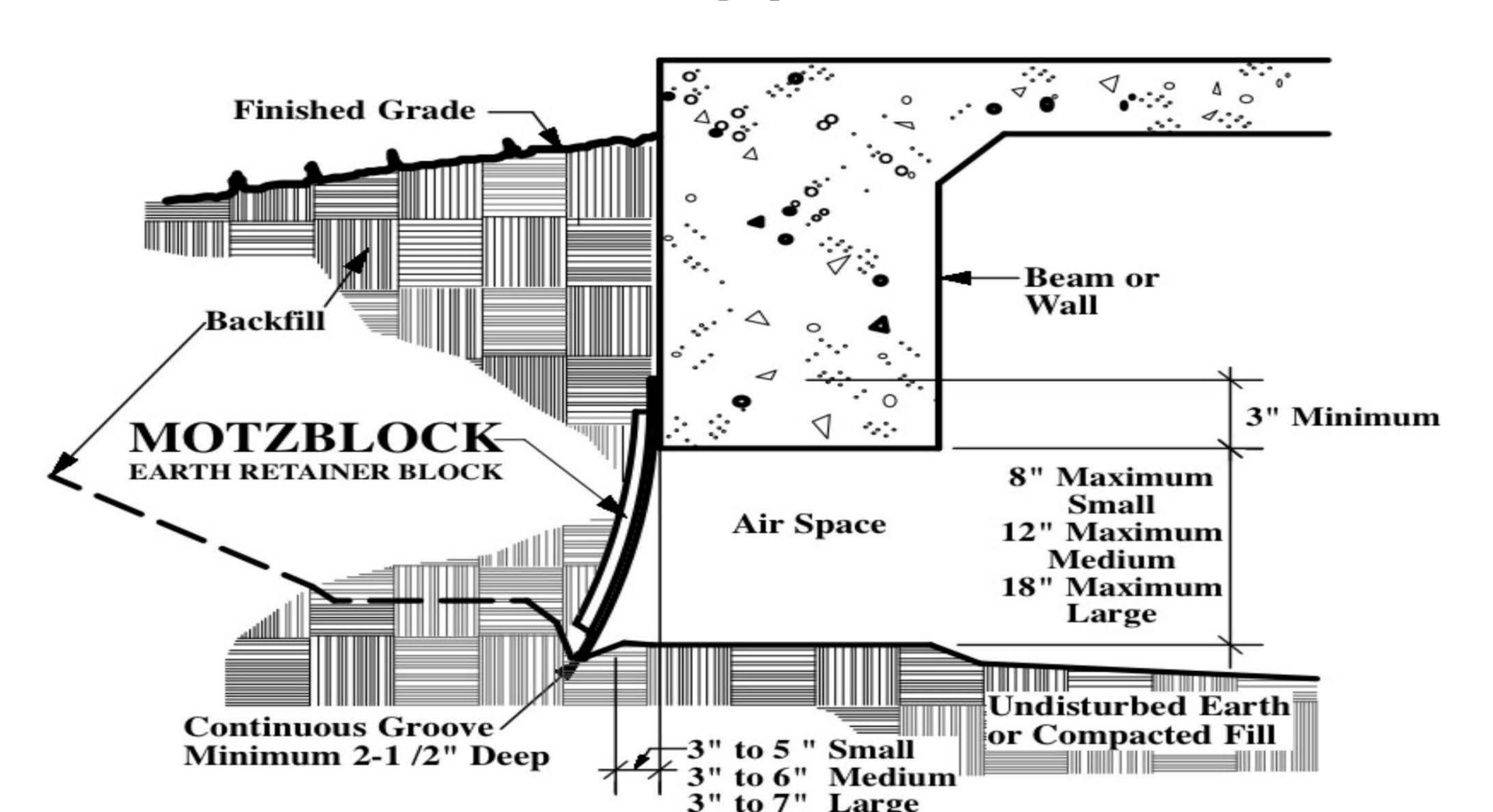
# (3" to 5" for SMALL, 3" to 6" for MEDIUM, 3" to 7" for LARGE)

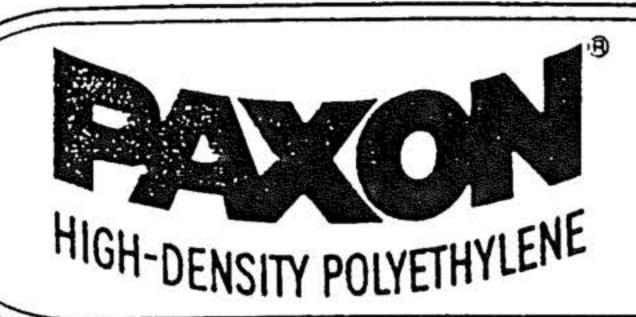
from the edge of the beam to assure that the Motzblock will remain in place during backfill and compaction. Motzblocks must project a minimum of 3 inches above beam bottom.

- 2. Starting at the end of the beam, lay the Motzblock's bottom flange in the groove and lean the flat side against the beam. Make sure the side flanges overlay at least 1 inch allowing for a continuous seal. When properly installed, the flange should be flush with the beam.
- 3. When the end of the beam is reached, the block may be cut to fit the remaining space. Be sure to allow room to overlap the cut block with the block next to it to assure a good seal. Miter cut at corners or slit top and bottom lips and bend. Tape seams. Motzblock cutoffs less than 1 foot in length should not be used.
- 4. When blocks are in place, the backfilling process can begin. Backfill materials should be placed in lifts and compacted. Care should be taken with compaction equipment to avoid damaging Motzblocks.
- 5. Grouting top seam is not required.
- 6. When backfill has been compacted to desired grade, the installation is complete.
- 7. Do not store Motzblocks in direct sunlight or on end. This can cause warping and will make your installation more difficult.

# IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS:

- 1. A continuous groove at least 2-1/2 inches is necessary to seat the bottom of the Motzblock.
- 2. Store out of direct sunlight and flat, not on end.
- 3. Install, as illustrated, with Motzblock ribs perpendicular to beam bottom.





TECHNICAL DATA

GRADE: BA50-100

PAXON® BA50-100 is a high molecular weight high density polyethylene copolymer with a medium molecular weight distribution. This resin has superior stress crack resistance combined with high impact strength and rigidity. It is designed for use in blow molding of large containers and for extrusion into exceptionally tough sheet. This resin meets all the requirements of the FDA for olefin polymers to be used as articles or components of articles for contact with food as set forth in 21 CFR 177.1520 (c) 3.1, 3.2.

### PROPERTY\*

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	Classification	ASTM Test	Nominal Value
	Class	D1248 D1248 D1238 D1238	
	Mechanical		
	Elongation at break  Tensile modulus of elasticity  Flexural stiffness, Cantilever Beam  Tensile impact  Impact brittleness temperature  Environmental stress crack resistance	D638 D638 D747 D1822 D746 D1693	3700 psi25 MPa
	Thermal		
	Heat deflection temperature, 66 psi load	D648	254° F
	Processing		
	Bulk density	D1895	37 lbs/ft³ 590 kg/m³
	*All values are determined on specimens prepared a	according to AS	STM D1248-78 "Standard Specifications for Polyethylene Plastic

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