



## SECTION [32 15 40]

### ORGANIC-LOCK FOR STABILIZED PATHWAY AGGREGATE: VEHICULAR TRAFFIC

#### PART 1: GENERAL

##### 1.1 SUMMARY

A. This section includes materials and execution information for construction with aggregate with Organic-Lock binder for vehicular applications

B. Related Sections:

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##### 1.2 REFERENCES

A. ASTM C136 / C136M – 14, Standard Test Method for Sieve Analysis of Fine and Coarse Aggregates, ASTM International, West Conshohocken, PA, 2014, [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org)

B. ASTM D2419 – 14, Standard Test Method for Sand Equivalent Value of Soils and Fine Aggregates, ASTM International, West Conshohocken, PA, 2014, [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org)

C. ASTM F1951 – 14, Standard Specification for Determination of Accessibility of Surface Systems Under and Around Playground Equipment, ASTM International, West Conshohocken, PA, 2014, [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org)

##### 1.3 SUBMITTALS

A. Submit in accordance with Section 01 33 00 - Submittal Procedures:

1. Manufacturer's product data sheet.
2. [1 quart] [ ] sample of base course.
3. Base Course gradation indicating that the product meets specifications
4. [1 quart] [ ] sample of stabilized crushed aggregate paving.
5. Stabilized crushed aggregate gradation indicating that the product meets specifications.
6. Manufacturer's Material Safety Data Sheet.

#### **1.4 SITE CONDITIONS**

- A. Ensure that the subgrade and base are properly graded and compacted to required specifications.
- B. Do not install the Organic-Lock pathway aggregate during rain. Rain within 3-5 days after installation will increase curing time.
- C. Protect all nearby surfaces, plants, and structures from possible contamination from materials or damage by equipment.

#### **1.5 TEST PLOT**

- A. Install [20] square feet minimum of stabilized crushed aggregate paving including base course, at location approved by [Architect] [Engineer].
- B. Allow [Architect] [Engineer] to view test plot before proceeding with rest of stabilized crushed aggregate paving.
- C. [Approved mock-up may remain as part of completed Work.] [Remove test plot after acceptance of work specified in this Section.]

#### **1.6 DELIVERY, HANDLING, AND STORAGE**

- A. Delivery:

Delivery of Organic-Lock is available from the manufacturer or select Organic-Lock dealers. Please contact the manufacturer for more information.

Delivery of Organic-Lock pre-blended with aggregate is available from select dealers. Contact your closest dealer or the manufacturer for more information.

- B. Handling:

Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

C. Storage:

Protect stabilized crushed aggregate mix from contamination. Store under cover.

**PART 2: PRODUCTS**

**2.1 MANUFACTURERS**

A. Organic-Lock for Organic-Lock stabilized pathway aggregate provided by:

Kafka Granite, LLC  
550 E HWY 153  
Mosinee, WI 54455  
800-852-7415  
[kafka@kafkagranite.com](mailto:kafka@kafkagranite.com)  
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**2.2 MATERIALS**

A. Crushed Aggregate Materials:

1. Crushed Aggregate Material shall consist of sound, angular, durable particles.
2. Gradation, in accordance with ASTM C136:

Optimal Gradation		
Sieve	Sieve Size (mm)	Percent Passing
3/8"	9.51	100%
4	4.76	80-100%
8	2.36	65-90%
16	1.18	40-60%
30	0.6	25-55%
50	0.3	15-35%
100	0.149	10-20%
200	0.074	5-15%

B. Organic-Lock Binder

1. Patented powdered organic binder designed to be blended with crushed aggregate

2. Made from 100% naturally occurring materials

### **PART 3: EXECUTION**

#### *SPECIFIER NOTES:*

1. *Proper hydration of the Organic-Lock blended aggregate is crucial to the installation and longevity of the surface. The instructions below refer to Organic-Lock that has been pre-blended with aggregate and contains optimal moisture content. For more information on pre-wetting, and pre-blending Organic-Lock refer to Organic-Lock Installation Guidelines Brochure.*
2. *Achieve best results installing Organic-Lock blended aggregate in dry conditions and temperatures above 40° Fahrenheit (5° Celsius). Both wet and cold conditions slow down the curing/drying process.*

#### **3.1 PREPARATION**

1. Prepare the Subgrade

Excavate the area to the depth required so that finish grade can be established as noted on plans.

A vehicular traffic pathway will require a full depth of 12-16 inches: 8-12 inches of compacted base depth together with 4 inches of compacted Organic-Lock Pathway Aggregate.

Compact the subgrade to 95% Modified Proctor Density.

2. Prepare the Base

Spread the base material to approved depth. Crushed, granular road base such as 3/4" minus is an optimal base material.

Vehicular Traffic Pathway will require 8-12 inches of compacted base material.

Depending upon the method of compaction the installation of base material may require separate lifts.

Compact the subgrade to 95% Modified Proctor Density using a single or double drum static roller or vibratory compactor.

#### **3.2 WATERSHED MANAGEMENT**

Crowns and/or cross-slopes must be incorporated into the compacted base material.

If the slope is 2% or lower, a crown should be incorporated into the pathway. If the slope is greater than 2%, incorporate a cross-slope.

Note: The addition of crowns and cross-slopes is heavily dependent upon surrounding watershed.

### **3.3 SPREADING**

The use of a paving machine is highly recommended for large projects to evenly spread Organic-Lock Pathway Aggregate at the specified depth

Spread the loose and uncompacted Organic-Lock Pathway Aggregate over the compacted base material.

Typically, a lift of 5 inches of loose, pre-wet Organic-Lock Pathway Aggregate will compact to the required 4 inch depth for Vehicular Traffic Pathways.

### **3.4 COMPACTION**

Make 4-6 passes using a 1 ton double or single static drum roller, or equivalent. A Vehicular application will typically require one lift, compacted to 4 inches.

Compaction will vary with different aggregates due to particle shape and size. Compact to 95% Modified Proctor Density.

Note: Vibratory compaction is acceptable for the base material but generally not suitable for Organic-Lock blended aggregate as it risks disassociating the bonds of the stabilized aggregate or allowing the fines and moisture to migrate to the surface, causing the surface to take on a smooth, concrete-like appearance. Organic-Lock Blended Aggregates should be compacted using a single or double drum static roller wherever possible. For tight spaces that are not accessible by drum rollers, a hand tamper is recommended, however, in certain circumstances, a vibratory or plate tamper can be used where the installer deems it to be more effective.

Provided the moisture content of the Organic-Lock blended aggregate is adequate, additional hydration should not be necessary. On dry, sunny days, however, the surface layer may start to dry out while installing, in which case, a light misting would be appropriate to prevent surface cracks from appearing during compaction. Refer to the *Organic-Lock Installation Guidelines Brochure* for more information.

### **3.5 COMPLETING INSTALLATION**

Apply a light spray to the surface of the material to give a clean appearance. Apply water until the water begins to run-off.

Do not allow any traffic on the newly installed pathway until fully cured

### **3.7 REPAIRS AND PROTECTION**

Excavate the damaged area and scarify exposed Organic-Lock Pathway Aggregate.

Pre-blend the replacement crushed stone aggregate material with Organic-Lock at 28-34 lbs/ imperial ton. Apply the material to the excavated area and compact. Thoroughly water the material to achieve a 8-10% moisture content. Use the “snowball test” to determine moisture content - refer to *Organic-Lock Installation Guidelines Brochure* for details.

Allow the newly installed Organic-Lock Pathway Aggregate to cure, but not completely dry out.

Re-compact the material, ensuring that the final grade and crown are maintained.

Note: Rotational stress, acceleration and deceleration will cause increased wear and tear on blended aggregate surfaces and more frequent maintenance may be required.

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