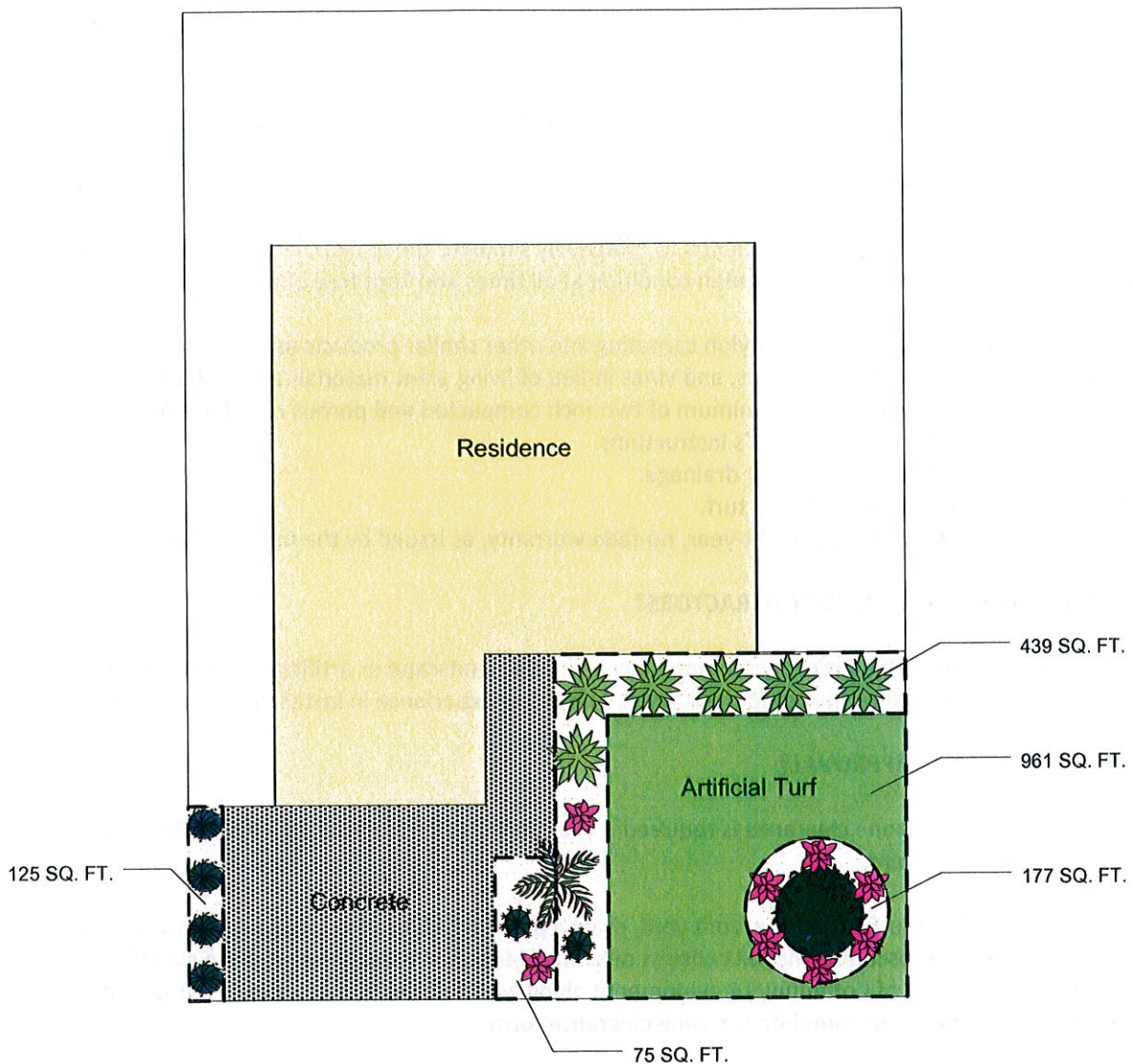


SAMPLE PLOT PLAN FOR INSTALLING ARTIFICIAL TURF IN THE FRONT YARD



Instructions on calculating maximum amount of artificial turf:

1. Draw a plot plan of your property showing the proposed landscape areas within the front yard.
2. Add up all landscape areas. For irregular shaped areas, it may be easier to divide the space into smaller shapes such as rectangles and circles and then add them together. Do not include driveways and walkways.
3. Artificial turf may consist of 50% of total landscaped area.

Example using sample plot plan:

$125 + 75 + 961 + 439 = 1600$ s.f. total landscaping

50% of $1600 = 800$ s.f. maximum of artificial turf

Proposed artificial turf area: $961 - 177 = 784$ s.f.

ARTIFICIAL TURF FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCES

DOES THE CITY ALLOW THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL TURF?

Yes, however City Code limits the amount of artificial turf allowed with the front yard. Artificial turf may consist of no more than 50% of the front yard landscaping, and the remaining landscaping must consist of living plant materials such as succulents, shrubs, trees, and flowers. There are no limitations or restrictions for using artificial turf within the back yard.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR USING ARTIFICIAL TURF WITHIN THE FRONT YARD?

1. Artificial turf must be separated from live planting beds such as by a concrete mow strip, bender board, or redwood header.
2. Artificial turf must be installed and maintained to effectively simulate the appearance of a well-maintained lawn. The artificial turf must be maintained in a green condition at all times and kept free of weeds, debris, tears, holes, ripples, and impressions.
3. The use of indoor or outdoor plastic or nylon carpeting and other similar products as a replacement for artificial turf is prohibited. Artificial shrubs, flowers, trees, and vines in-lieu of living plant materials are prohibited.
4. Artificial turf must be installed over a minimum of two-inch compacted and porous road base or comparable material, or according to the manufacturer's instructions.
5. Artificial turf areas must allow for proper drainage.
6. Vehicle parking is prohibited on artificial turf.
7. Artificial turf must have a minimum eight-year, no-fade warranty, as issued by the manufacturer.

DO YOU HAVE A LIST OF APPROVED CONTRACTORS?

No. The City does not maintain a list or recommend any particular landscape or artificial turf contractors. When choosing a contractor, make sure the company is licensed and has experience in installing artificial turf.

DO I NEED TO OBTAIN CITY APPROVAL?

Yes. City approval through a zone clearance is required if you are installing artificial turf within the front yard only and is not required for the back yard.

If you are installing artificial turf within the front yard, draw a plan that shows the location, square footage and percentage of front yard landscaping that will consist of artificial turf. See example on reverse side of this page. Bring your plan to the Department of Community Development along with information or a sample of the artificial turf you wish to use and we will help you complete the zone clearance form.

QUESTIONS?

Additional information about front yard landscaping may be found in the City Landscape and Irrigation Guidelines, which may be found at www.ci.camarillo.ca.us/i3.aspx?p=975

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Department of Community Department at 805.388.5360, Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm.



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