Park Boulder Installation C200.06





DESIGN STATEMENT

Boulders can be used for a variety of purposes in open space including:

- Rock edging
- Informal seating
- As a standalone feature
- Barrier treatment (e.g. to prevent inappropriate vehicle access).

Boulder profiles are typically flat-top when used as seating or edging. A rounded or more vertical profile is more suitable as a standalone feature or as a barrier treatment.

A variety of stone can used. Typically, mudstone or honeycomb granite are more appropriate for use in playspaces as any sharp edges can be more easily ground off. Bluestone rocks can also be used for this purpose.

Silver granite or Castlemaine slate large rocks are also suitable as feature boulders.

APPLICABLE LOCATION

Merri-bek open space including conservation areas, parks, playspaces and reserves.

COUNCIL STANDARD DRAWINGS

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CROSS REFERENCE DOCUMENT

• C200.05 Playground Edges – Rock Edging.

STANDARD SPECIFICATION

It is important to first hand select the given rocks to the required dimensions and determine their optimal placement prior to installing them in place. If used in a playspace, inspect for sharp edges and grind off once installed.

If installing more than one rock together, check for any entrapment gaps and infill with a coloured oxide cement to match the rocks.

Install the boulder on level ground as detailed and ensure that it is stable with no rocking movement.

SUPPLIER

Varies depending on type of rock and dimensions.

MAINTENANCE

Periodically check that rocks remain stable and in-fill any entrapment gaps with coloured oxide cement to match.

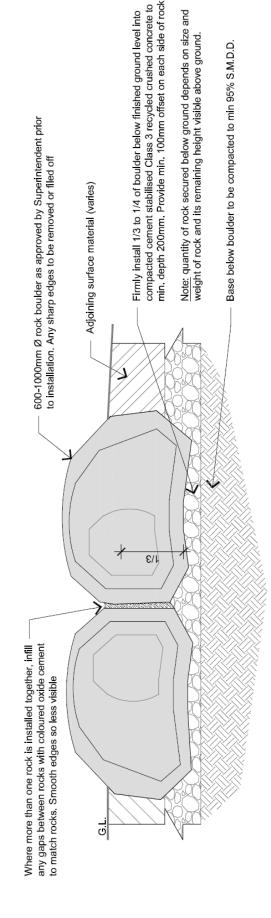


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If a rock is used in a playspace it must also be approved by a playspace auditor.

Where more than one rock is installed together, carefully infill any gaps between the rocks with a coloured oxide cement to match the natural rocks' colour. Where rocks are used to restrict vehicle access, rocks must be installed and positioned a min. of 1m from back of kerb. A feature rock in a garden bed is to have a rounded profile unless installed as a more vertical feature.

A rock intended for informal seating must have a flat top profile of max. 500mm height (above finished surface level).





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