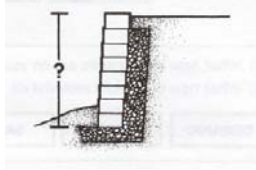

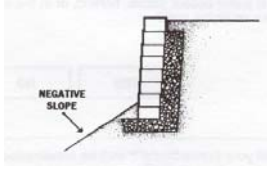
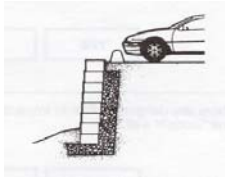
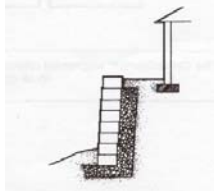
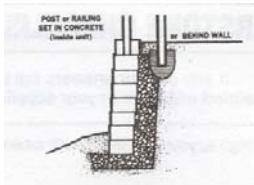


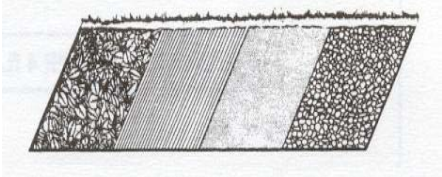

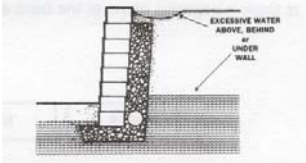
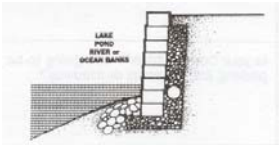
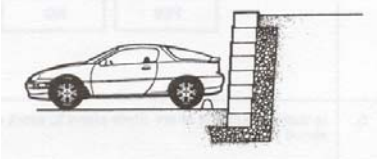
# GETTING STARTED

## PLANNING AND SELECTING YOUR RETAINING WALL

### Retaining Wall Checklist

**Does your site need special preparations?**

CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:		
<p>How high is your retaining wall going to be?</p> <p><b>Over 4 feet</b>      <b>4 feet or under</b></p>		
<p>Is there a positive slope bearing down on your planned wall?</p> <p><b>YES</b>      <b>NO</b></p>		
<p>Is there a negative slope at the base of your planned wall?</p> <p><b>YES</b>      <b>NO</b></p>		
<p>Is your planned retaining wall going to be built below a parking lot, driveway, or roadway?</p> <p><b>YES</b>      <b>NO</b></p>		
<p>Is there a building or plans to erect a building above your planned retaining wall?</p> <p><b>YES</b>      <b>NO</b></p>		
<p>Are railings going to be installed in or behind your planned retaining wall?</p> <p><b>YES</b>      <b>NO</b></p>		

<p>What type of sub-soils are on your site?  <b>Organic</b> Clay Gravel Sand</p> <p>What type of Backfill material do you plan to use?  <b>Organic</b> Clay Gravel Sand</p>	
<p>If you plan a terraced wall system,</p> <p>Will any of your walls be over 4 feet high?  <b>YES</b> NO</p> <p>Will upper wall be closer than a 2:1 ratio?  <b>YES</b> NO</p>	 <p>*Upper wall should be twice as far away as the height of lower wall.</p>
<p>Will water collect above, behind, or in the sub-base of your planned retaining wall?  <b>YES</b> NO</p>	
<p>Will your planned retaining wall be constructed in lake, pond, river, or ocean water?  <b>YES</b> NO</p>	
<p>Is there any danger of objects impacting against your planned retaining wall?  <b>YES</b> NO</p>	

***If any of your answers fall into the RED areas, please seek technical advice from a qualified engineer or your supplier before continuing your retaining wall installation project.***