

21 THE DRIVE, ICKENHAM, UB10 8AF

SPECIFICATION AND SCHEDULE OF PLANTS

1.0. GENERALLY

- 1.1. The species, variety and colour of any plant to be supplied under this Contract shall be strictly in accordance with the detailed Specification contained herein and shall also comply with BS 3936-7 Specification for Bedding Plants unless otherwise agreed in advance in writing by the Contract Administrator.
- 1.2. Unless otherwise stated, the species, variety and colour of all plants in this Schedule of Rates is as defined in the "Ball Colegrave" seed catalogue. Unless agreed in advance in writing by the Contract Administrator all plants are to be grown from "Ball Colegrave" seed or young plants or similar approved by the Contract Administrator.
- 1.3. All plants shall be true to type, variety and name. Any plant found not to be so shall be replaced at the Supplier's expense.
- 1.4. All plants shall be vigorous, healthy and free from pests and/or disease. Plants shall be materially undamaged, uniform in size and with a well developed and undamaged root system. Any plant found not to be so shall be replaced at the Supplier's expense.
- 1.5. Where appropriate, plants shall be floriferous and/or of good foliage colour and shall show no sign of forcing or stretching. Any plant found not to be so shall be replaced at the Supplier's expense.
- 1.6. Plants shall be grown in well ventilated production areas, without heat for at least ten days prior to dispatch unless unseasonal weather conditions prevail. All plants shall be properly watered prior to dispatch and protected from drying out due to wind or sun action.
- 1.7. All trays shall be labelled using indelible labels indicating the species and variety of each plant.
- 1.8. All plants, unless specified as field grown, shall be grown in a suitable peat free compost.
- 1.9. All autumn bedding plants grown in containers shall be fully acclimatised in the open at an appropriate stage in order to promote hardiness. Care shall be taken to avoid damage to plants from hail, frost, wind or the like.
- 1.10. All plants shall be supplied in the container indicated within the document. Containers of equal size and specification may be used with the prior approval of the Contract Administrator.
- 1.11. All heights of plants shall be average heights measured from the top of the growing medium.
- 1.12. All plants shall be fit for the purpose for which they are intended i.e. for outside planting with a reasonable expectation that they will grow true to habit with minimum losses.

2.0. TUSCAN BLUE ROSEMARY (ROSMARINUS OFFICINALIS)

- 2.1. Plant rosemary in a well-drained garden bed with full-sun exposure so the plant receives six to eight hours of sunlight daily.
- 2.2. Space new plants about 600mm apart in all directions.
- 2.3. Water "Tuscan Blue" rosemary only when the top 25-50mm of soil feels almost completely dry.
- 2.4. Soak the bed deeply with about 25mm of water so the top 150mm of the soil feels moist.
- 2.5. Sprinkle a general-purpose fertilizer around each rosemary plant in spring. Spread the fertilizer on top of the soil 150mm inches away from the base of the plants and scratch it into the top 25-50mm of soil. Water immediately after application.
- 2.6. Cut back the rosemary plant immediately after it flowers in spring. Shear it back by up to a third of its height and width, shaping it lightly so it remains mounded and full. Cut out any dead or damaged sprigs.
- 2.7. Spread 50mm of mulch around the plants in autumn, pulling the mulch back slightly so it does not rest against the base of the rosemary. Replenish the mulch each year so it can provide winter protection against light freezes.

3.0. SCHEDULE OF IMPLEMENTATION

- 3.1. The building construction will be completed in May / June 2020. The external works will carried out immediately after during June / July 2020.
- 3.2. Upon completion of the external works the planting will be carried out in the following spring.
- 3.3. Planting to maintained as per items 2.6 and 2.7 above.