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## RETAINING OR SLOUGH WALL • 4'-0" HIGH

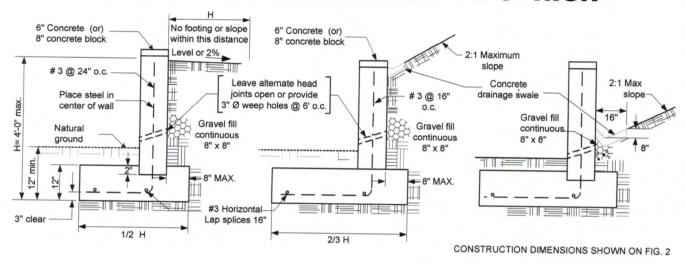


FIG. 1

FIG. 2

FIG.3 (SLOUGH WALL)

(NO PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR FIG. 1)

(PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR FIG. 2 AND FIG. 3)

#### **NOTES**

These walls are designed for the average condition and may not be suitable in all cases. Where the proposed wall construction is extensive, a licensed civil or structural engineer should be consulted.

### **GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS**

- 1. All footings to be 12" into natural ground.
- 2. Concrete mix for footing and for concrete wall to be 1 part Portland cement, 2 parts sand, 3 parts 1" rock with a maximum of 7 gallons of water per sack of cement.
- Grout mix for concrete block wall to be 1 part Portland cement, to 3 parts sand to which may be added not
  more than 1/10 part lime. Sufficient water to be added to produce consistency for pouring without
  segregation of the constituents. Grout may contain pea gravel to a maximum size of 3/8".
- Mortar mix for concrete blocks to be 1 part cement to 1/4 lime putty or hydrated lime to 3½ parts damp loose sand.
- 5. Concrete block units to be standard 8"x8"x16" units conforming to UBC Standard 21-4.
- 6. Reinforcing steel shall be deformed steel conforming to A.S.T.M. Specification A-615. Lap all steel 16".
- 7. Concrete block units to be staggered (running bond).
- 8. Concrete block units to have vertical continuity of the cells unobstructed. All cells containing reinforcing to be filled solid with grout.
- 9. The designs illustrated on this information bulletin do not apply to locations with expansive soil.

