

Guidelines for the effective use of Sandbags

It's more than just filling sandbags, stacking them up and building walls and barriers.

Using sandbags which are properly filled and placed can effectively divert water around instead of through buildings. Sandbags do not, however, guarantee a water-tight seal.

A correctly filled sandbag should only be filled $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ full, and tied near the top

This allows the sand inside the sandbag to move and mould against the ground or other sandbags when they are laid on top of each other.

Our sandbags are optimally filled with sharp sand, which enables the moulding to be made as the wall is built. For better sealing and stability the sandbags should be overlapped as the wall is built.



Just Right



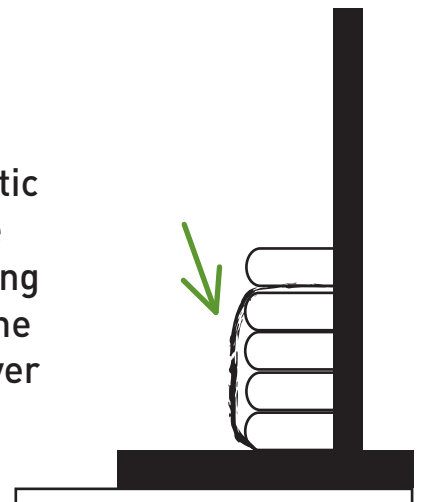
Tied too low



Over Filled

Doorways

Doorways can be effectively sealed by laying a sheet of plastic or canvas before building the sandbag barrier, and then folding the plastic round the ends of the barrier as it is built up, then over the top and held down by additional sandbags.



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