

Vegetated (green) roof final inspection checklist

Vegetated (green) roof final inspection is where the punch list is either short or expensive. This checklist walks the finished work the way an owner or AHJ will see it: devices on, systems running, everything labeled. Each item gets the photo that closes it instead of reopening it. Work is commonly verified against manufacturer's published instructions, the applicable building code. Confirm the edition your authority having jurisdiction has adopted.

Who runs it: The green-roof installer's foreman with the landscape crew, and the GC's superintendent before turnover. When: After media is placed and planting is in, with establishment irrigation running, before the roof is handed over and put under its maintenance plan.

Media and drainage

- ☐ **Growing media at the specified depth throughout**
Media depth probed at multiple points across the roof, at the design depth over the whole area, not just at the piles. 2 photos required
- ☐ **Drainage layer continuous and clear to the drains**
Drainage path unobstructed from field to drains, media held back from the drain inlets, no ponding after irrigation. 2 photos required

Planting

- ☐ **Plant layout and coverage per the plan**
Species, spacing and layout matching the planting plan, plugs or mats seated in the media, coverage even across the field. 2 photos required
- ☐ **Establishment irrigation operating**
Irrigation running and reaching the full planted area, controller set for the establishment schedule, no dry zones. 1 photo required

Edges and access

- ☐ **Walkway pavers and edge ballast in place against uplift**
Pavers and wind-uplift ballast set at the specified weight and coverage along edges, corners and around penetrations, sitting flat and stable. 2 photos required
- ☐ **Drain and inspection-port access maintained**
Every inspection port and drain still reachable through the finished media and planting, lids clear and openable. 1 photo required