## NutriPore Tuff

## Premium Turfgrass Root-Zone Amendment

Not all zeolites are created equal. They vary significantly in their physical characteristics that is largely determined by the content zeolite mineral types; of clinoptilalite (good), mordenite and clay (bad). NutriPore Tuff has the highest content of clinoptilalite and lowest content of mordenite and clay to provide superior physical characteristics for turfgrass root-zones. Common zeolite materials available have good CEC characteristics although lack the air-filled pore spaces essential to a healthy root-zone. Porosity, and in particular air-filled pore space, is a critical feature of healthy turfgrass root-zones. Not only does NutriPore Tuff provide 5 times as many exchange sites to hold essential nutrients than ceramic clay amendments, but NutriPore Tuff also provides more air-filled pore spaces per g of material than any other zeolite or ceramic clay turfgrass amendment available. This equates to more benefits at lower rates of incorporation.

## OTHER FEATURES INCLUDE:

- Balanced air to water pore space ratio
  - o The particles are a dense honeycomb structure with a mass of connecting cavities providing channels of air and moisture movement through the profile. Air pore spaces help the root-zone to 'breath' supporting turf growth and microbial populations, while capillary spaces accepts soil solution moisture and nutrients.
- Retains available nutrients and moisture
  - o The high amount of negative charges within the particle structure will hold and exchange essential nutrients into soil solution when required by the turfgrass. The capillary pore spaces will hold a reserve of moisture for turfgrass plants to access, but will release excess moisture to maintain good water movement characteristics through the soil profile.
- Absolutely no risk of particle breaking down in the profile over time.
  - Being a rock hard, but extremely porous, particle over 300 million years old, it will last throughout the entire lifespan of the turfgrass profile.
- Lower rates of incorporation
  - As NutriPore Tuff has more air and capillary pore spaces and more exchange sites than any other turfgrass amendment, significant benefits are achieved at low root-zone incorporation rates.

## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Porosity 49.75 %

Pore Space per Gram 0.47 m<sup>3</sup> / tonne.

(This means for every tonne of material there is just less than  $\ensuremath{\ensuremath{\%}}$  a cubic metre of pore spaces

within it).

CEC\* 146 meq/100g (\*Cation Exchange Capacity)

Clinoptilolite Content 53.56%

Particle Size 0.9mm – 1.4mm