

FIBERGLASS SUBSTITUTE?

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It looks and feels promising. I bought the material as a weed blocker to go under decorative gravel or bark ground cover. It's called Easy Gardener commercial weed block and was found at Home Depot. It's a very light, thin, stiff polyester sheet material, quite porous, open random weave and white. I miked it at .0075" thick and very uniform. It's very strong and you can't tear it, but it cuts easily with blade or scissors leaving clean, sharp, non-fraying edges. I measured and weighed a 1.5 SF sample and came up with .222 oz. / sq. ft., or 2 oz./sq yard. It should be much easier to work with than fiberglass on all but compound curves. Possible drawbacks? Well, it claims a 30 year life, and long UV resistance, but then it's supposed to be buried below a couple inches of gravel or bark chips. What wouldn't stand up to UV rays where there are none. And it's cheap, but only available in a 4' X 50' roll @ about 25 bucks.