These drawings feature step units. Caps or pavers may be used for treads. Check local building codes for any tread depth standards.

**BASE COURSE**
Thoroughly compact the leveling pad. Lay out the base course according to the wall design. Place step units first, working from the center to each side. It is very important to backfill and compact behind and along the sides of each course of step units.

**FIRST STEP COURSE**
Place the first course of step units directly on top of the base course so there is no setback. Stagger them from the previous course and glue in place.

**SECOND STEP COURSE**
Add the second course of steps, staggering them over the previous course to maintain running bond. Overlap the previous course by 2 inches and glue to the lower course. Place and compact soil fill prior to installing the next course.

**SECOND WALL COURSE**
Build the second course of the wall.

**THIRD STEP COURSE**
Beginning in the center, add the third course of steps, lining up the units with the first course. Overlap 2 inches and glue in place.

**ADDITIONAL COURSES**
Build the third course of the wall. Repeat wall and step courses until the wall is finished.

**Drainage Tip:** Drainpipe can be placed behind the lowest step units at grade or behind each wall adjacent to the steps.