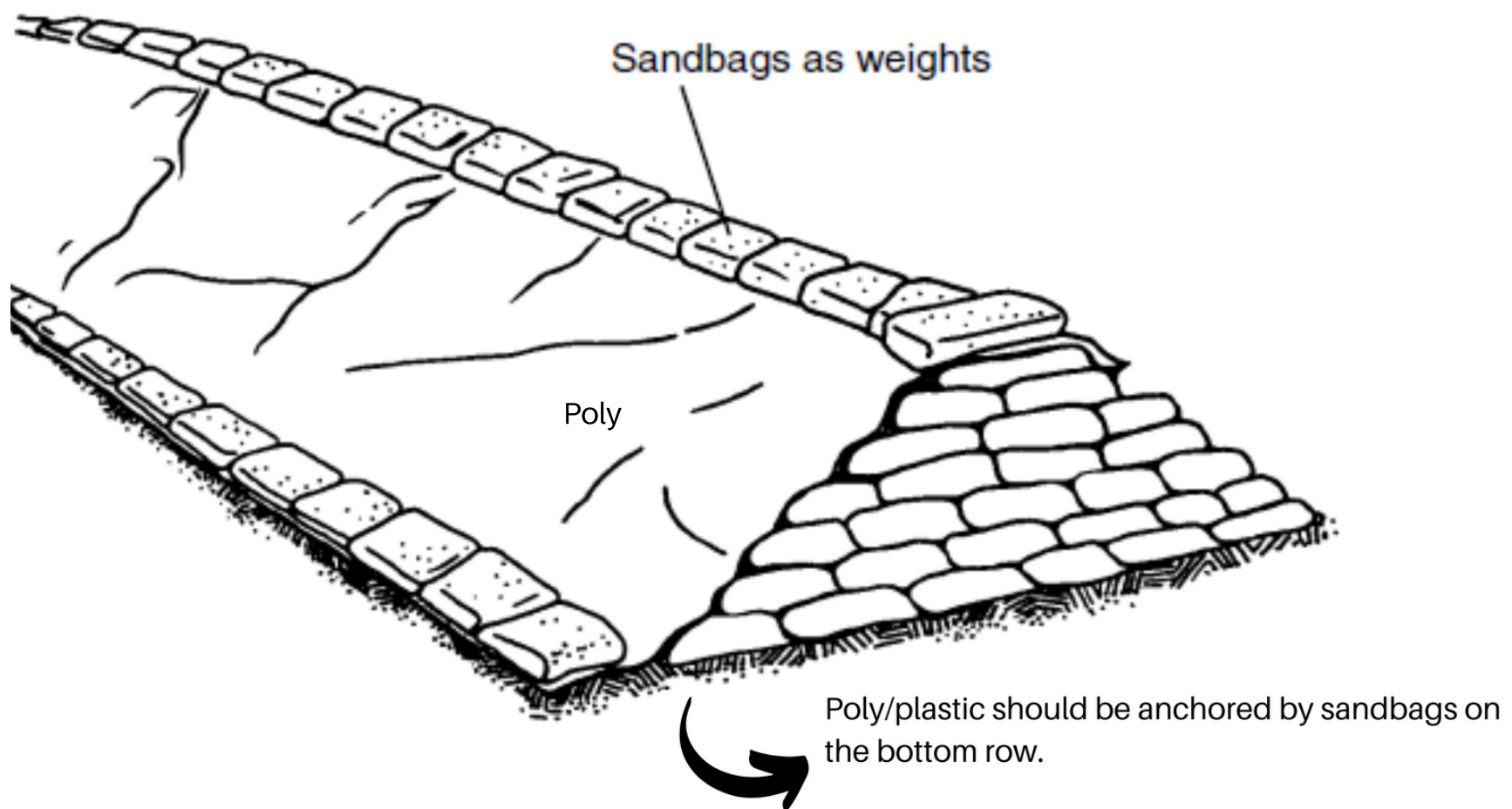


How to build a sandbag berm



1. Fill sandbags 60 percent full.
2. The most effective place for your sandbag barrier is the highest and driest point closest to your home. Avoid building a barrier on decks, patios, fences, planters, gardens or any other platform.
3. Dig a trench one bag deep and two bags wide.
4. Start building the berm by making a bottom layer. Overlap the empty part of each sandbag with the full part of the next bag.
5. Walk on sandbags to secure them in place. Be careful not to puncture the bags.
6. Build more layers, creating a triangle-shaped berm. Place sandbags in alternating directions with each layer.
7. Use a poly sheet to waterproof the side facing the water. Secure the sheet at the top and bottom with sandbags.