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## Fixed Knot Brace Specifications and Installation Guide



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## Pipe Brace Assembly - 10’ Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brace Posts (2 per Brace) | $16^{\prime} \times 2$ 7/8" Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $16^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace Foot (1 per Brace) | 6' $\times 2$ 7/8" Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $6^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Cross Member (2 per Brace) | $12^{\prime} \times 2$ 3/8" Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $12^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace (1 per Brace) | $14^{\prime} \times 2$ 3/8" Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $14^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Additional Materials Needed |  |  |
| OSPHO (rust-inhibiting coating ) | Oil Based Enamel Paint | Structural Tubing Random Lengths: 32 ' or less |
| Metal Primer Paint | Standard Galvanized Pipe Lengths: 21 |  |
| Note: <br> (a) Galvanized Schedule 40 pipe <br> (b) $31 / 2 "$ Schedule 40 pipe shoul | commended instead of structural tubing here gates are being hung. |  |

## Installation

Note: Plan ahead to avoid costly waste ("drop") of pipe. Pipe Braces set in mixed soils are set 5'6" deep in concrete, with the minimum diameter of the hole being 8 ".
Caution: Allow 2 days for concrete to cure before pulling on brace.
Do not cheat on the depth of your brace posts for this determines the life of your fence. Do not fill holes completely with concrete. Fill the hole at most $1 / 3$, leaving the rest to be filled with tamped dirt or crushed stone. Also, flare the bottom of hole if possible, this will provide an anchor for the post. Pipe set in solid rock or stone are set $4^{\prime}$ deep with a hole bored to match the diameter of the pipe. Pipe may also be driven in mixed soils to a minimum depth of $5^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$.

1. Treat pipe with OSPHO before setting. This product retards rust in chemical change on drying to a surface ready for priming.
2. Set End Post and pull Guide Wire.
3. Set Brace Post at 12' and Angle Foot at 10' centers.
4. Measure inside the Brace width then cut and saddle the Cross Member. Position the top Cross Member between the 2nd and 3rd line wires of the fence fabric and the middle Cross Member half of the distance between the ground and the top Cross Member. Try to set the middle Cross Member so it will fall between 2 horizontal wires. Weld Solid.
5. Notch the Angle Brace Foot so the 2 3/8" Angle Brace can lay inside the foot. Cut and saddle the Angle Brace to meet the top Cross Member of the brace. Weld solid.
6. Cap all pipe with concrete plugs or pressed steel caps. If pipe is left open, water will rust the pipe off at ground level.
7. Brush all welds. For optimum protection, treat with OSPHO and then apply the metal primer followed by one or two coats of oil based paint.

Line Posts: Set line posts using 20' - 30' spacing. Post spacing should be determined by the terrain, turns in the fence line, changes in weather conditions and animal pressure. If a combination of T-posts and line bosses ( $23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ structural pipe) is used, the ratio of T-posts should not exceed a 4 to 1 ratio. $23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ structural tubing should be used for all line posts with post spacing greater than $20^{\prime}$. Use 20' post spacing with any rough terrain. On level ground, 30 ' spacing is acceptable with use of pipe posts only. A rigid post should be placed on top of all hips and in the bottom of all dips. Severe dips will require an inline brace assembly and fabrication of a water gap to accommodate for flood waters. T-post weight should not be less than $1.33 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{ft}$.


## Pipe Line Brace Assembly - 10' Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brace Posts (1 per Brace) | $16^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $16^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace Foot (2 per Brace) | $6^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $6^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace (2 per Brace) | $14^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $14^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Additional Materials Needed |  |  |
| OSPHO (rust-inhibiting coating ) | Oil Based Enamel Paint |  |
| Metal Primer Paint |  |  |
| Note: |  |  |
| (a) Galvanized Schedule 40 Pipe is highly recommended instead of structural tubing  <br> (b) $312^{\prime \prime}$ schedule 40 pipe should be used where gates are being hung.  |  |  |

## Installation

Note: Plan ahead to avoid costly waste ("drop") of pipe. Pipe Braces set in mixed soils are set 5'6" deep in concrete, with the minimum diameter of the hole being 8".
Caution: Allow 2 days for concrete to cure before pulling on brace.
Do not cheat on the depth of your brace posts for this determines the life of your fence. Do not fill holes completely with concrete. Fill the hole at most $1 / 3$, leaving the rest to be filled with tamped dirt or crushed stone. Also, flare the bottom of hole if possible, this will provide an anchor for the post. Pipe set in solid rock or stone are set 4' deep with a hole bored to match the diameter of the pipe. Pipe may also be driven in mixed soils to a minimum depth of $5^{\prime} 6$ ".

1. Treat pipe with OSPHO before setting. This product retards rust in chemical change on drying to a surface ready for priming.
2. Set End Post and pull Guide Wire.
3. Set Angle Feet 10' from Brace Post on either side and in line with fence line.
4. Measure inside the Brace width then cut and saddle the Cross Member. Position the Angle Brace between the 2nd and 3rd line wires of the fence fabric. Weld Solid.
5. Notch the Angle Brace Foot so the 2 3/8" Angle Brace can lay inside the foot. Cut and saddle the Angle Brace to meet the top Cross Member of the brace. Weld solid.
6. Cap all pipe with concrete plugs or pressed steel caps. If pipe is left open, water will rust the pipe off at ground level.
7. Brush all welds. For optimum protection, treat with OSPHO and then apply the metal primer followed by one or two coats of oil based paint.
 knot fence.

## Pipe Brace Assembly - 8' Fixed Knot Fence



Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brace Posts (2 per Brace) | $14^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $14^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace Foot (1 per Brace) | $6^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $6^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Cross Member (2 per Brace) | $10^{\prime \prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $10^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace (1 per Brace) | $12^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $12^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Additional Materials Needed |  |  |
| OSPHO (rust-inhibiting coating ) | Oil Based Enamel Paint | Structural Tubing Random Lengths: 32' or less |
| Metal Primer Paint | Standard Galvanized Pipe Lengths: 21', 24' |  |
| Note: |  |  |
| (a) Galvanized Schedule 40 pipe is highly recommended instead of structural tubing  <br> (b) $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Schedule 40 pipe should be used where gates are being hung.  |  |  |

## Installation

Note: Plan ahead to avoid costly waste ("drop") of pipe. Pipe Braces set in mixed soils are set 5'6" deep in concrete, with the minimum diameter of the hole being 8".
Caution: Allow 2 days for concrete to cure before pulling on brace.
Do not cheat on the depth of your brace posts for this determines the life of your fence. Do not fill holes completely with concrete. Fill the hole at most $1 / 3$, leaving the rest to be filled with tamped dirt or crushed stone. Also, flare the bottom of hole if possible, this will provide an anchor for the post. Pipe set in solid rock or stone are set 4' deep with a hole bored to match the diameter of the pipe. Pipe may also be driven in mixed soils to a minimum depth of $5^{\prime} 6$ ".

1. Treat pipe with OSPHO before setting. This product retards rust in chemical change on drying to a surface ready for priming.
2. Set End Post and pull Guide Wire.
3. Set Brace Post at 10'6" and Angle Foot at 9' centers.
4. Notch the Angle Brace Foot so the 2 3/8" Angle Brace can lay inside the foot.

Cut and saddle the Angle Brace to meet the top Cross Member of the brace. Weld solid.
6. Cap all pipe with concrete plugs or pressed steel caps. If pipe is left open, water will rust the pipe off at ground level.
7. Brush all welds. For optimum protection, treat with OSPHO and then apply the metal primer followed by one or two coats of oil based paint.
the top Cross Member between the 2nd and 3rd line wires of the fence fabric and the middle Cross Member half of the distance between the ground and the top Cross middle Cross Member half of the distance between the ground and the top Cross
Member. Try to set the middle Cross Member so it will fall between 2 horizontal wires. Weld Solid.

Line Posts: Set line posts using 20' - 30' spacing. Post spacing should be determined by the terrain, turns in the fence line, changes in weather conditions and animal pressure. If a combination of T-posts and line bosses ( $23 / 8$ " structural pipe) is used, the ratio of T-posts should not exceed a 4 to 1 ratio. $23 / 8$ " structural tubing should be used for all line posts with post spacing greater than $20^{\prime}$. Use $20^{\prime}$ post spacing with any rough terrain. On level ground, 30' spacing is acceptable with use of pipe posts only. A rigid post should be placed on top of all hips and in the bottom of all dips. Severe dips will require an inline brace assembly and fabrication of a water gap to accommodate for flood waters. T-post weight should not be less than $1.33 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{ft}$.

| 10' T-Post (1.33lb/ft) with 10 T-post clips $\quad$ Note: Galvanized 1.5lb/ft T-posts and class 3 zinc coated T-post clips are recommended$12^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing Line Bosses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ' - 30' | 20'-30' | 20'-30' | 20'-30' | 20'-30' | 20'-30' |  |

## Pipe Line Brace Assembly - 8' Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brace Posts (1 per Brace) | $14^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $14^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace Foot (2 per Brace) | $6^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of 6' $\times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace (2 per Brace) | $12^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $12^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Additional Materials Needed |  |  |
| OSPHO (rust-inhibiting coating ) | Oil Based Enamel Paint |  |
| Metal Primer Paint |  |  |
| Note: |  |  |
| (a) Galvanized Schedule 40 Pipe is highly recommended instead of structural tubing <br> (b) $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ schedule 40 pipe should be used where gates are being hung. |  |  |

## Installation

Note: Plan ahead to avoid costly waste ("drop") of pipe. Pipe Braces set in mixed soils are set 5'6" deep in concrete, with the minimum diameter of the hole being 8".
Caution: Allow 2 days for concrete to cure before pulling on brace.
Do not cheat on the depth of your brace posts for this determines the life of your fence. Do not fill holes completely with concrete. Fill the hole at most $1 / 3$, leaving the rest to be filled with tamped dirt or crushed stone. Also, flare the bottom of hole if possible, this will provide an anchor for the post. Pipe set in solid rock or stone are set 4' deep with a hole bored to match the diameter of the pipe. Pipe may also be driven in mixed soils to a minimum depth of $5^{\prime} 6$ ".

1. Treat pipe with OSPHO before setting. This product retards rust in chemical change on drying to a surface ready for priming.
2. Set End Post and pull Guide Wire.
3. Set Angle Feet 9' from Brace Post on either side and in line with fence line.
4. Measure inside the Brace width then cut and saddle the Cross Member. Position the Angle Brace between the 2nd and 3rd line wires of the fence fabric. Weld Solid.
5. Notch the Angle Brace Foot so the 2 3/8" Angle Brace can lay inside the foot. Cut and saddle the Angle Brace to meet the top Cross Member of the brace. Weld solid.
6. Cap all pipe with concrete plugs or pressed steel caps. If pipe is left open, water will rust the pipe off at ground level.
7. Brush all welds. For optimum protection, treat with OSPHO and then apply the metal primer followed by one or two coats of oil based paint.
 knot fence.

## Pipe Brace Assembly - 6’ Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brace Posts (2 per Brace) | $11^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $11^{\prime \prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace Foot (1 per Brace) | $5^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $5^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Cross Member (1 per Brace) | $8^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $8^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace (1 per Brace) | $10^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $10^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Additional Materials Needed |  |  |
| OSPHO (rust-inhibiting coating ) | Oil Based Enamel Paint | Structural Tubing Random Lengths: 32' or less |
| Metal Primer Paint | Standard Galvanized Pipe Lengths: $21^{\prime}, 24^{\prime}$ |  |
| Note: |  |  |
| (a) Galvanized Schedule 40 pipe is highly recommended instead of structural tubing  <br> (b) $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Schedule 40 pipe should be used where gates are being hung.  |  |  |

## Installation

Note: Plan ahead to avoid costly waste ("drop") of pipe. Pipe Braces set in mixed soils are set 4' deep in concrete, with the minimum diameter of the hole being 8 ". Caution: Allow 2 days for concrete to cure before pulling on brace.

Do not cheat on the depth of your brace posts for this determines the life of your fence. Do not fill holes completely with concrete. Fill the hole at most $1 / 3$, leaving the rest to be filled with tamped dirt or crushed stone. Also, flare the bottom of hole if possible, this will provide an anchor for the post. Pipe set in solid rock or stone are set a minimum of $3^{\prime}$ deep with a hole bored to match the diameter of the pipe. Pipe may also be driven in mixed soils to a minimum depth of $4^{\prime}$.

| 1. Treat pipe with OSPHO before setting. This product retards rust in chemical | 5. Notch the Angle Brace Foot so the $23 / 8$ " Angle Brace can lay inside the foot. |
| :--- | :--- |
| change on drying to a surface ready for priming. | Cut and saddle the Angle Brace to meet the Cross Member of the brace. Weld |
| 2. Set End Post and pull Guide Wire. | solid. |
| 3. Set Brace Post at 8 ' and Angle Foot at $7 \prime$ centers. 6. Cap all pipe with concrete plugs or pressed steel caps. If pipe is left open, <br> 4. Measure inside the Brace width then cut and saddle the Cross Member. Position water will rust the pipe off at ground level. <br> the Cross Member between the 2nd and 3rd line wires of the fence fabric. Weld 7. Brush all welds. For optimum protection, treat with OSPHO and then apply <br> Solid. the metal primer followed by one or two coats of oil based paint. |  |

Line Posts: Set line posts using 20' - 30' spacing. Post spacing should be determined by the terrain, turns in the fence line, changes in weather conditions and animal pressure. If a combination of T-posts and line bosses ( $23 / 8$ " structural pipe) is used, the ratio of T-posts should not exceed a 4 to 1 ratio. $17 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ to $23 / 8 "$ structural tubing should be used for all line posts. Use 20' post spacing with any rough terrain. On level ground, 30' spacing is acceptable with use of pipe posts only. A rigid post should be placed on top of all hips and in the bottom of all dips. Severe dips will require an inline brace assembly and fabrication of a water gap to accommodate for flood waters. T-post weight should not be less than $1.33 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{ft}$.
$8^{\prime}$ T-Post (1.331b/ft) with 8 T-post clips 10' x 2 3/8" Structural Tubing Line Bosses


## Pipe Line Brace Assembly - 6' Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brace Posts (1 per Brace) | $10^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $10^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace Foot (2 per Brace) | $5^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of 5' $\times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace (2 per Brace) | $10^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $10^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Additional Materials Needed |  |  |
| OSPHO (rust-inhibiting coating ) | Oil Based Enamel Paint |  |
| Metal Primer Paint |  |  |
| Note: |  |  |
| (a) Galvanized Schedule 40 Pipe is highly recommended instead of structural tubing <br> (b) $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ schedule 40 pipe should be used where gates are being hung. |  |  |

## Installation

Note: Plan ahead to avoid costly waste ("drop") of pipe. Pipe Braces set in mixed soils are set 4' deep in concrete, with the minimum diameter of the hole being 8".
Caution: Allow 2 days for concrete to cure before pulling on brace.
Do not cheat on the depth of your brace posts for this determines the life of your fence. Do not fill holes completely with concrete. Fill the hole at most $1 / 3$, leaving the rest to be filled with tamped dirt or crushed stone. Also, flare the bottom of hole if possible, this will provide an anchor for the post. Pipe set in solid rock or stone are set a minimum of $3^{\prime}$ deep with a hole bored to match the diameter of the pipe. Pipe may also be driven in mixed soils to a minimum depth of 4 '.

1. Treat pipe with OSPHO before setting. This product retards rust in chemical change on drying to a surface ready for priming.
2. Set End Post and pull Guide Wire.
3. Set Angle Feet 8' from Brace Post on either side and in line with fence line.
4. Measure inside the Brace width then cut and saddle the Cross Member. Position the Angle Brace between the 2nd and 3rd line wires of the fence fabric. Weld Solid.
5. Notch the Angle Brace Foot so the 2 3/8" Angle Brace can lay inside the foot. Cut and saddle the Angle Brace to meet the top Cross Member of the brace. Weld solid.
6. Cap all pipe with concrete plugs or pressed steel caps. If pipe is left open, water will rust the pipe off at ground level.
7. Brush all welds. For optimum protection, treat with OSPHO and then apply the metal primer followed by one or two coats of oil based paint.
 knot fence.

## Pipe Brace Assembly - 5' Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brace Posts (2 per Brace) | $10^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $10^{\prime \prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace Foot (1 per Brace) | $5^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $5^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Cross Member (1 per Brace) | $7^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $7^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace (1 per Brace) | $9^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $9^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Additional Materials Needed |  |  |
| OSPHO (rust-inhibiting coating ) | Oil Based Enamel Paint | Structural Tubing Random Lengths: 32' or less |
| Metal Primer Paint | Standard Galvanized Pipe Lengths: $21^{\prime}, 24^{\prime}$ |  |
| Note: |  |  |
| (a) Galvanized Schedule 40 pipe is highly recommended instead of structural tubing  <br> (b) $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Schedule 40 pipe should be used where gates are being hung.  |  |  |

## Installation

Note: Plan ahead to avoid costly waste ("drop") of pipe. Pipe Braces set in mixed soils are set 4 ' deep in concrete, with the minimum diameter of the hole being 8 ".
Caution: Allow 2 days for concrete to cure before pulling on brace.
Do not cheat on the depth of your brace posts for this determines the life of your fence. Do not fill holes completely with concrete. Fill the hole at most $1 / 3$, leaving the rest to be filled with tamped dirt or crushed stone. Also, flare the bottom of hole if possible, this will provide an anchor for the post. Pipe set in solid rock or stone are set a minimum $3^{\prime}$ deep with a hole bored to match the diameter of the pipe. Pipe may also be driven in mixed soils to a minimum depth of 4 '.

1. Treat pipe with OSPHO before setting. This product retards rust in chemical change on drying to a surface ready for priming.
2. Set End Post and pull Guide Wire.
3. Set Brace Post at 7' and Angle Foot at 6' centers.
4. Measure inside the Brace width then cut and saddle the Cross Member. Position the Cross Member between the $2 n d$ and 3rd line wires of the fence fabric. Weld Solid.
5. Notch the Angle Brace Foot so the 2 3/8" Angle Brace can lay inside the foot. Cut and saddle the Angle Brace to meet the top Cross Member of the brace. Weld solid.
6. Cap all pipe with concrete plugs or pressed steel caps. If pipe is left open, water will rust the pipe off at ground level.
7. Brush all welds. For optimum protection, treat with OSPHO and then apply the metal primer followed by one or two coats of oil based paint.

Line Posts: Set line posts using 20' - 30' spacing. Post spacing should be determined by the terrain, turns in the fence line, changes in weather conditions and animal pressure. If a combination of T-posts and line bosses ( $23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ structural pipe) is used, the ratio of T-posts should not exceed a 4 to 1 ratio. $17 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ to $23 / 8$ " structural tubing can be used for all line posts. Use 20' post spacing with any rough terrain. On level ground, 30' spacing is acceptable with use of pipe posts only. A rigid post should be placed on top of all hips and in the bottom of all dips. Severe dips will require an inline brace assembly and fabrication of a water gap to accommodate for flood waters. T-post weight should not be less than $1.33 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{ft}$.


## Pipe Line Brace Assembly - 5' Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brace Posts (1 per Brace) | $10^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $10^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace Foot (2 per Brace) | $5^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of 5' $\times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace (2 per Brace) | $9^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $9^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Additional Materials Needed |  |  |
| OSPHO (rust-inhibiting coating ) | Oil Based Enamel Paint |  |
| Metal Primer Paint |  |  |
| Note: |  |  |
| (a) Galvanized Schedule 40 Pipe is highly recommended instead of structural tubing <br> (b) $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ schedule 40 pipe should be used where gates are being hung. |  |  |

## Installation

Note: Plan ahead to avoid costly waste ("drop") of pipe. Pipe Braces set in mixed soils are set 4' deep in concrete, with the minimum diameter of the hole being 8".
Caution: Allow 2 days for concrete to cure before pulling on brace.
Do not cheat on the depth of your brace posts for this determines the life of your fence. Do not fill holes completely with concrete. Fill the hole at most $1 / 3$, leaving the rest to be filled with tamped dirt or crushed stone. Also, flare the bottom of hole if possible, this will provide an anchor for the post. Pipe set in solid rock or stone are set a minimum of $3^{\prime}$ deep with a hole bored to match the diameter of the pipe. Pipe may also be driven in mixed soils to a minimum depth of 4 '.

1. Treat pipe with OSPHO before setting. This product retards rust in chemical change on drying to a surface ready for priming.
2. Set End Post and pull Guide Wire.
3. Set Angle Feet 7' from Brace Post on either side and in line with fence line.
4. Measure inside the Brace width then cut and saddle the Cross Member. Position the Angle Brace between the 2nd and 3rd line wires of the fence fabric. Weld Solid.
5. Notch the Angle Brace Foot so the 2 3/8" Angle Brace can lay inside the foot. Cut and saddle the Angle Brace to meet the top Cross Member of the brace. Weld solid.
6. Cap all pipe with concrete plugs or pressed steel caps. If pipe is left open, water will rust the pipe off at ground level.
7. Brush all welds. For optimum protection, treat with OSPHO and then apply the metal primer followed by one or two coats of oil based paint.
 knot fence.

## Pipe Brace Assembly - 4' Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brace Posts (2 per Brace) | $9^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $9^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace Foot (1 per Brace) | $5^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $5^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Cross Member (1 per Brace) | $7^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $7^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace (1 per Brace) | $7^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $7^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Additional Materials Needed |  |  |
| OSPHO (rust-inhibiting coating ) | Oil Based Enamel Paint | Structural Tubing Random Lengths: 32' or less |
| Metal Primer Paint | Standard Galvanized Pipe Lengths: 21', 24' |  |
| Note: |  |  |
| (a) Galvanized Schedule 40 pipe is highly recommended instead of structural tubing  <br> (b) $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Schedule 40 pipe should be used where gates are being hung.  |  |  |

## Installation

Note: Plan ahead to avoid costly waste ("drop") of pipe. Pipe Braces set in mixed soils are set $3^{\prime} 6$ " deep in concrete, with the minimum diameter of the hole being 8 ".
Caution: Allow 2 days for concrete to cure before pulling on brace.
Do not cheat on the depth of your brace posts for this determines the life of your fence. Do not fill holes completely with concrete. Fill the hole at most $1 / 3$, leaving the rest to be filled with tamped dirt or crushed stone. Also, flare the bottom of hole if possible, this will provide an anchor for the post. Pipe set in solid rock or stone are set a minimum $2^{\prime}$ deep with a hole bored to match the diameter of the pipe. Pipe may also be driven in mixed soils to a minimum depth of 4 '.

1. Treat pipe with OSPHO before setting. This product retards rust in chemical change on drying to a surface ready for priming.
2. Set End Post and pull Guide Wire.
3. Set Brace Post at 7' center and Angle Foot at 6' center.
4. Measure inside the Brace width then cut and saddle the Cross Member. Position the Cross Member between the 2nd and 3rd line wires of the fence fabric. Weld Solid.
5. Notch the Angle Brace Foot so the 2 3/8" Angle Brace can lay inside the foot. Cut and saddle the Angle Brace to meet the top Cross Member of the brace. Weld solid.
6. Cap all pipe with concrete plugs or pressed steel caps. If pipe is left open, water will rust the pipe off at ground level.
7. Brush all welds. For optimum protection, treat with OSPHO and then apply the metal primer followed by one or two coats of oil based paint.

Line Posts: Set line posts using 20' - 30' spacing. Post spacing should be determined by the terrain, turns in the fence line, changes in weather conditions and animal pressure. If a combination of T-posts and line bosses ( $23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ structural pipe) is used, the ratio of T-posts should not exceed a 4 to 1 ratio. $17 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ to $23 / 8$ " structural tubing can be used for all line posts. Use 20' post spacing with any rough terrain. On level ground, 30' spacing is acceptable with use of pipe posts only. A rigid post should be placed on top of all hips and in the bottom of all dips. Severe dips will require an inline brace assembly and fabrication of a water gap to accommodate for flood waters. T-post weight should not be less than $1.33 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{ft}$.


## Pipe Line Brace Assembly - 4' Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brace Posts (1 per Brace) | $8^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 1 piece of $8^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace Foot (2 per Brace) | $5^{\prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of 5' $\times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Angle Brace (2 per Brace) | $7^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Piece of Structural Tubing | 2 pieces of $7^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Structural Tubing |
| Additional Materials Needed |  |  |
| OSPHO (rust-inhibiting coating ) | Oil Based Enamel Paint |  |
| Metal Primer Paint |  |  |
| Note: |  |  |
| (a) Galvanized Schedule 40 Pipe is highly recommended instead of structural tubing  <br> (b) $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ schedule 40 pipe should be used where gates are being hung.  |  |  |

## Installation

Note: Plan ahead to avoid costly waste ("drop") of pipe. Pipe Braces set in mixed soils are set 3'6" deep in concrete, with the minimum diameter of the hole being 8".
Caution: Allow 2 days for concrete to cure before pulling on brace.
Do not cheat on the depth of your brace posts for this determines the life of your fence. Do not fill holes completely with concrete. Fill the hole at most $1 / 3$, leaving the rest to be filled with tamped dirt or crushed stone. Also, flare the bottom of hole if possible, this will provide an anchor for the post. Pipe set in solid rock or stone are set a minimum of $2^{\prime}$ deep with a hole bored to match the diameter of the pipe. Pipe may also be driven in mixed soils to a minimum depth of $4{ }^{\prime}$.

1. Treat pipe with OSPHO before setting. This product retards rust in chemical change on drying to a surface ready for priming.
2. Set End Post and pull Guide Wire.
3. Set Angle Feet 6' from Brace Post on either side and in line with fence line.
4. Measure inside the Brace width then cut and saddle the Cross Member. Position the Angle Brace between the 2nd and 3rd line wires of the fence fabric. Weld Solid.
5. Notch the Angle Brace Foot so the 2 3/8" Angle Brace can lay inside the foot. Cut and saddle the Angle Brace to meet the top Cross Member of the brace. Weld solid.
6. Cap all pipe with concrete plugs or pressed steel caps. If pipe is left open, water will rust the pipe off at ground level.
7. Brush all welds. For optimum protection, treat with OSPHO and then apply the metal primer followed by one or two coats of oil based paint.
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## Brace Assembly - 10’ Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brace Posts (3 per Brace) | $15 \times 1$ " 6 " .40 CCA Treated Pine | 3 pieces of $15^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{\prime \prime} .40$ CCA Treated Pine |
| Cross Members (2 per Brace) | $12^{\prime} \times 5$ " CCA Treated Pine or $12^{\prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$ Schedule 40 Pipe | 2 pieces of $12^{\prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ CCA Treated Pine or $12^{\prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$ Schedule 40 Pipe |
| Small Brace Pin (1 per Brace) | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 5$ " Galvanized Pin | $1-1 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime} \times 5$ " Galvanized Pin |
| Large Brace Pins (2 per Brace) | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10$ " Galvanized Pin | $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10^{\prime \prime}$ Galvanized Pin |
| Brace Wire | Double Wrap 9ga. Class 3 Low Tensile Wire or Double Wrap 12.5ga Class 3 High Tensile Wire or Single Wrap 5/16" Cable | 1 roll/coil of Double Wrap 9ga. Class 3 Low Tensile Wire or Double Wrap 12.5ga Class 3 High Tensile Wire or Single Wrap $5 / 16^{\prime \prime}$ Cable |
| Barbed Staples | $13 / 4$ " ZA Barbed Staples | 1-8lb or $1-50 \mathrm{lb}$ Bucket of $13 / 4$ " ZA Barbed Staples (depending on length of fence) |
| Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer | Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer | 1 - Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer per Brace |

## Installation

1. Drive or auger and tamp the End Post.
2. Pull the Guide Wire.
3. Set the Brace Posts using the Cross Member for measurement and aligning to the Guide Wire.
4. To establish the location of the cross member, measure the distance from the bottom of the fabric to a point midway between the 3rd and 4th wire from the top. Using this measurement, mark the inside of the Brace Posts.
5. Drill a $1 / 2$ " by $2^{\prime \prime}$ hole in the End Post and drill a $1 / 2$ " hole through the Middle Post and the Brace Post. Set the 5" Brace Pin in the End Post and start the 10" pin in the Brace Post. 5 " pin, and then lift the other end to align with the 10" pin. Drive the 10" pin into the NOTE: Braces must be installed in fence line, regardless of the length of the pull. Brace Post, leaving $2 "$ exposed for the installation of the second Cross Member. Drill Braces should be placed no more than 1320 ft . apart. Brace width must be a
a $1 / 2^{" \prime}$ pilot hole in one end of the second Cross Member. Place this end on the brace minimum of 2 times the height of the fence ( 2.5 times is preferred). Never cut Brace Post, leaving $2^{" \prime}$ exposed for the installation of the second Cross Member. Drill Braces should be placed no more than 1320 ft . apart. Brace width must be a
a $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ pilot hole in one end of the second Cross Member. Place this end on the brace minimum of 2 times the height of the fence ( 2.5 times is preferred). Never cut
6. Drive a staple partially in (approximately 3 to 4 inches above ground level) on the side of the End Post opposite the Cross Member. 8. Guide the Brace Wire through the staple, behind the End Post, in front of the Middle Post, behind the Brace Post, over the 10' pin, back down behind the Middle Post, across the front of the End Post and through the staple. Repeat a second time, following the crisscross pattern. This will provide a double wrap, double figure eight, configuration of the Brace Wire.
d 9. Install a ratchet type wire strainer on the Brace Wire. Install the ratchet on the opposite side of the brace that the wire fabric will be on. Tighten the Brace Wire until the Brace Post moves approximately $1 / 4$ " away from the soil.
e into treated posts, cutting into the wood will expose untreated wood to the elements.
7. Pilot drill the ends of the Cross Member. Set one end of the Cross Member on the pin in the Middle Post. Lift the other end so it is in line with the first Cross Member, and drive the 10" pin into the Top Rail leaving 1" exposed for the installation of the Brace Wire.

Line Posts: Set line posts using $20^{\prime}$ - $30^{\prime}$ spacing. Post spacing should be determined by terrain, turns in fence line, changes in weather conditions and animal pressure. If a combination of T-posts and wood line bosses is used, the ratio of T-posts to line bosses should not exceed 4 to 1 . The line bosses should be 5 " to $6 "$ in diameter. If the fence is going to be all wood line posts, $4^{\prime \prime}$ to $5^{\prime \prime}$ treated posts can be used. T-post weight should not be less than $1.33 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{ft}$..


## Brace Assembly - 8' Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brace Posts (2 per Brace) | $12^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 6$ " 40 CCA Treated Pine | 2 pieces of $12^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \times 6{ }^{\prime \prime} .40$ CCA Treated Pine |
| Cross Member (1 per Brace) | $16^{\prime} \times 5$ " CCA Treated Pine or 16 ' x 3" Schedule 40 Pipe | 1 piece of $16^{\prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ CCA Treated Pine or $16^{\prime} \times 3$ " Schedule 40 Pipe |
| Small Brace Pin (1 per Brace) | $1 / 2 " \times 4 "$ Galvanized Pin | $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4$ " Galvanized Pin |
| Large Brace Pin (1 per Brace) | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10$ " Galvanized Pin | $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10^{\prime \prime}$ Galvanized Pin |
| Brace Wire | Double Wrap 9ga. Class 3 Low Tensile Wire or Double Wrap 12.5ga Class 3 High Tensile Wire or Single Wrap 5/16" Cable | 1 roll/coil of Double Wrap 9ga. Class 3 Low Tensile Wire or Double Wrap 12.5ga Class 3 High Tensile Wire or Single Wrap 5/16" Cable |
| Barbed Staples | 13/4" ZA Barbed Staples | 1 - 8lb or 1 -50lb Bucket of $13 / 4$ " ZA Barbed Staples (depending on length of fence) |
| Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer | Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer | 1 - Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer per Brace |

## Installation

1. Drive or auger and tamp the End Post.
2. Pull the Guide Wire.
3. Set the Brace Posts using the Cross Member for measurement and aligning to the Guide Wire.
4. To establish the location of the cross member, measure the distance from the bottom of the fabric to a point midway between the 2nd and 3rd wire from the top. Using this measurement mark the inside of the Brace Posts.
5. Drill a $1 / 2$ " by 2 " hole in the End Post and drill a $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ hole through the Brace Post. Set the 4" Brace Pin in the End Post and start the 10" pin in the Brace Post. 6. Pilot drill the ends of the Cross Member. Set one end of the Cross Member on the 4 " pin, and then lift the other end to align with the 10" pin. Drive the 10" pin into the Brace Post, leaving 1" exposed for the installation of the Brace Wire.
6. Drive a barbed staple partially in (approximately 3 to 4 inches above ground level) on the side of the End Post opposite the Cross Member.
7. Guide the Brace Wire through the staple in the end post, up over the 10' pin in the Brace Post, back down and through the staple and over the 10" pin again. This will provide a double wrap for the Brace Wire.
8. Install a ratchet type wire strainer on the Brace Wire. Install the ratchet on the opposite side of the Brace that the wire fabric will be on. Tighten the Brace Wire until the Brace Post moves approximately $1 / 4$ " away from the soil.
NOTE: Braces must be installed in the fence line, regardless of the length of the pull. Braces should be placed no more than 1320 ft . apart. Brace width must be a minimum of 2 times the height of the fence ( 2.5 times is preferred). Never cut into treated posts, cutting into the wood will expose untreated wood to the elements.

Line Posts: Set line posts using 20'- 30' spacing. Post spacing should be determined by terrain, turns in fence line, changes in weather conditions and animal pressure. If a combination of T-posts and wood line bosses is used, the ratio of T-posts to line bosses should not exceed 4 to 1 . The line bosses should be 5 " to 6 " in diameter. If the fence is going to be all wood line posts, $4^{\prime \prime}$ to $5^{\prime \prime}$ treated posts can be used. T-post weight should not be less than $1.33 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{ft}$..


## Brace Assembly - 6’ Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brace Posts (2 per Brace) | $11^{\prime} \times 6$ " 40 CCA Treated Pine | 2 pieces of $11^{\prime} \times 6^{\prime \prime} .40$ CCA Treated Pine |
| Cross Member (1 per Brace) | 14’ x 5" CCA Treated Pine or $14^{\prime} \times 21 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime}$ Schedule 40 Pipe | 1 piece of $14^{\prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ CCA Treated Pine or $14^{\prime} \times 21 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime}$ Schedule 40 Pipe |
| Small Brace Pin (1 per Brace) | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4$ " Galvanized Pin | 1-1/2" $\times 4$ " Galvanized Pin |
| Large Brace Pin (1 per Brace) | $1 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime} \times 10$ " Galvanized Pin | $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10^{\prime \prime}$ Galvanized Pin |
| Brace Wire | Double Wrap 9ga. Class 3 Low Tensile Wire or Double Wrap 12.5ga Class 3 High Tensile Wire or Single Wrap 5/16" Cable | 1 roll/coil of Double Wrap 9ga. Class 3 Low Tensile Wire or Double Wrap 12.5ga Class 3 High Tensile Wire or Single Wrap 5/16" Cable |
| Barbed Staples | $13 / 4$ " ZA Barbed Staples | 1 - 8lb or 1 -50lb Bucket of $13 / 4$ " ZA Barbed Staples (depending on length of fence) |
| Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer | Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer | 1 - Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer per Brace |

## Installation

1. Drive or auger and tamp the End Post.
2. Pull the Guide Wire.
3. Set the Brace Posts using the Cross Member for measurement and aligning to the Guide Wire.
4. To establish the location of the cross member, measure the distance from the bottom of the fabric to a point midway between the 2nd and 3rd wire from the top. Using this measurement mark the inside of the Brace Posts.
5. Drill a $1 / 2$ " by 2 " hole in the End Post and drill a $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ hole through the Brace Post. Set the 4" Brace Pin in the End Post and start the 10" pin in the Brace Post. 6. Pilot drill the ends of the Cross Member. Set one end of the Cross Member on the 4 " pin, and then lift the other end to align with the 10" pin. Drive the 10" pin into the Brace Post, leaving 1" exposed for the installation of the Brace Wire.
6. Drive a barbed staple partially in (approximately 3 to 4 inches above ground level) on the side of the End Post opposite the Cross Member.
7. Guide the Brace Wire through the staple in the end post, up over the 10' pin in the Brace Post, back down and through the staple and over the 10" pin again. This will provide a double wrap for the Brace Wire.
8. Install a ratchet type wire strainer on the Brace Wire. Install the ratchet on the opposite side of the Brace that the wire fabric will be on. Tighten the Brace Wire until the Brace Post moves approximately $1 / 4$ " away from the soil.
NOTE: Braces must be installed in the fence line, regardless of the length of the pull. Braces should be placed no more than 1320 ft . apart. Brace width must be a minimum of 2 times the height of the fence ( 2.5 times is preferred). Never cut into treated posts, cutting into the wood will expose untreated wood to the elements.

Line Posts: Set line posts using 20'-30' spacing. Post spacing should be determined by terrain, turns in fence line, changes in weather conditions and animal pressure. If a combination of T-posts and wood line bosses is used, the ratio of T-posts to line bosses should not exceed 4 to 1 . The line bosses should be 5 " to 6 " in diameter. If the fence is going to be all wood line posts, $4^{\prime \prime}$ to $5^{\prime \prime}$ treated posts can be used. T-post weight should not be less than $1.33 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{ft}$..


## Brace Assembly - 5' Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brace Posts (2 per Brace) | 9'6" $\times 6$ " CCA Treated Pine | 2 pieces of 9'6" $\times 6$ " CCA Treated Pine |
| Cross Member (1 per Brace) | 12' x 5" CCA Treated Pine or 12' x 2" SS-20 H.T. Tubing | 1 piece of $12^{\prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ CCA Treated Pine or $12^{\prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$ SS-20 H.T. Tubing |
| Small Brace Pin (1 per Brace) | $1 / 2 " \times 4 "$ Galvanized Pin | $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4$ " Galvanized Pin |
| Large Brace Pin (1 per Brace) | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10$ " Galvanized Pin | $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10^{\prime \prime}$ Galvanized Pin |
| Brace Wire | Double Wrap 9ga. Class 3 Low Tensile Wire or Double Wrap 12.5ga Class 3 High Tensile Wire or Single Wrap 5/16" Cable | 1 roll/coil of Double Wrap 9ga. Class 3 Low Tensile Wire or Double Wrap 12.5ga Class 3 High Tensile Wire or Single Wrap 5/16" Cable |
| Barbed Staples | 13/4" ZA Barbed Staples | 1 - 8lb or 1 -50lb Bucket of $13 / 4$ " ZA Barbed Staples (depending on length of fence) |
| Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer | Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer | 1 - Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer per Brace |

## Installation

1. Drive or auger and tamp the End Post.
2. Pull the Guide Wire.
3. Set the Brace Posts using the Cross Member for measurement and aligning to the Guide Wire.
4. To establish the location of the Cross Member, measure the distance from the bottom of the fabric to a point midway between the 2nd and 3rd wire from the top. Using this measurement mark the inside of the Brace Posts.
5. Drill a $1 / 2$ " by 2 " hole in the End Post and drill a $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ hole through the Brace Post. Set the 4" Brace Pin in the End Post and start the 10" pin in the Brace Post. 6. Pilot drill the ends of the Cross Member. Set one end of the Cross Member on the 4 " pin, and then lift the other end to align with the 10" pin. Drive the 10" pin into the Brace Post, leaving 1" exposed for the installation of the Brace Wire.
6. Drive a barbed staple partially in (approximately 3 to 4 inches above ground level) on the side of the End Post opposite the Cross Member.
7. Guide the Brace Wire through the staple in the end post, up over the 10' pin in the Brace Post, back down and through the staple and over the 10" pin again. This will provide a double wrap for the Brace Wire.
8. Install a ratchet type wire strainer on the Brace Wire. Install the ratchet on the opposite side of the Brace that the wire fabric will be on. Tighten the Brace Wire until the Brace Post moves approximately $1 / 4$ " away from the soil.
NOTE: Braces must be installed in the fence line, regardless of the length of the pull. Braces should be placed no more than 1320 ft . apart. Brace width must be a minimum of 2 times the height of the fence ( 2.5 times is preferred). Never cut into treated posts, cutting into the wood will expose untreated wood to the elements.

Line Posts: Set line posts using 20'- 30' spacing. Post spacing should be determined by terrain, turns in fence line, changes in weather conditions and animal pressure. If a combination of T-posts and wood line bosses is used, the ratio of T-posts to line bosses should not exceed 4 to 1 . The line bosses should be 5 " to 6 " in diameter. If the fence is going to be all wood line posts, $4^{\prime \prime}$ to $5^{\prime \prime}$ treated posts can be used. T-post weight should not be less than $1.33 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{ft}$..


## Brace Assembly - 4' Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brace Posts (2 per Brace) | 8' x 6" CCA Treated Pine | 2 pieces of $8^{\prime} \times 6^{\prime \prime}$ CCA Treated Pine |
| Cross Member (1 per Brace) | $10^{\prime} \times 5$ " CCA Treated Pine or $10^{\prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$ SS-20 H.T. Tubing | 1 piece of $10^{\prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ CCA Treated Pine or $10^{\prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$ SS-20 H.T. Tubing |
| Small Brace Pin (1 per Brace) | $1 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime} \times 4$ " Galvanized Pin | $1-1 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime} \times 4$ " Galvanized Pin |
| Large Brace Pin (1 per Brace) | $1 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime} \times 10$ " Galvanized Pin | $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10^{\prime \prime}$ Galvanized Pin |
| Brace Wire | Double Wrap 9ga. Class 3 Low Tensile Wire or Double Wrap 12.5ga Class 3 High Tensile Wire or Single Wrap 5/16" Cable | 1 roll/coil of Double Wrap 9ga. Class 3 Low Tensile Wire or Double Wrap 12.5ga Class 3 High Tensile Wire or Single Wrap 5/16" Cable |
| Barbed Staples | $13 / 4$ " ZA Barbed Staples | 1 - 8lb or $1-50 \mathrm{lb}$ Bucket of $13 / 4$ " ZA Barbed Staples (depending on length of fence) |
| Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer | Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer | 1 - Ratchet Type In-Line Wire Strainer per Brace |

## Installation

1. Drive or auger and tamp the End Post.
2. Pull the Guide Wire.
3. Set the Brace Posts using the Cross Member for measurement and aligning to the Guide Wire.
4. To establish the location of the Cross Member, measure the distance from the bottom of the fabric to a point midway between the 2nd and 3rd wire from the top. Using this measurement mark the inside of the Brace Posts.
5. Drill a $1 / 2$ " by 2 " hole in the End Post and drill a $1 / 2$ " hole through the Brace Post. Set the 4" Brace Pin in the End Post and start the 10" pin in the Brace Post.
6 . Pilot drill the ends of the Cross Member. Set one end of the Cross Member on the 4 " pin, and then lift the other end to align with the 10 " pin. Drive the 10 " pin into the Brace Post, leaving 1 " exposed for the installation of the Brace Wire.
6. Drive a barbed staple partially in (approximately 3 to 4 inches above ground level) on the side of the End Post opposite the Cross Member.
7. Guide the Brace Wire through the staple in the end post, up over the 10' pin in the Brace Post, back down and through the staple and over the 10" pin again. This will provide a double wrap for the Brace Wire.
8. Install a ratchet type wire strainer on the Brace Wire. Install the ratchet on the opposite side of the Brace that the wire fabric will be on. Tighten the Brace Wire until the Brace Post moves approximately $1 / 4$ " away from the soil.
NOTE: Braces must be installed in the fence line, regardless of the length of the pull. Braces should be placed no more than 1320 ft . apart. Brace width must be a minimum of 2 times the height of the fence ( 2.5 times is preferred). Never cut into treated posts, cutting into the wood will expose untreated wood to the elements.

Line Posts: Set line posts using 20'-30' spacing. Post spacing should be determined by terrain, turns in fence line, changes in weather conditions and animal pressure. If a combination of T-posts and wood line bosses is used, the ratio of T-posts to line bosses should not exceed 4 to 1 . The line bosses should be 5 " to 6 " in diameter. If the fence is going to be all wood line posts, $4^{\prime \prime}$ to $5^{\prime \prime}$ treated posts can be used. T-post weight should not be less than $1.33 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{ft}$..


## Homestead Brace Assembly - 4' Fixed Knot Fence



## Fence Components \& Materials

| Fence Component | Materials needed per component | Total amount of material needed to build brace |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brace Posts (2 per Brace) | $8^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ SS-20 Galvanized Tubing | $2-8^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ pieces of SS-20 Galvanized Tubing |
| Pusher Post (1 per Brace) | $5^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ SS-20 Galvanized Tubing | $1-5^{\prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ piece of SS-20 Galvanized Tubing |
| Pusher (1 per Brace) | $8^{\prime} \times 17 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ SS-20 Galvanized Tubing | $1-8^{\prime} \times 17 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ piece of SS-20 Galvanized Tubing |
| Cross Member (1 per Brace) | $8^{\prime} \times 17 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ SS-20 Galvanized Tubing | $1-8^{\prime} \times 17 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ piece of SS-20 Galvanized Tubing |
| Pressed Steel Rail Ends (4 per Brace) | $17 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Pressed Steel Rail End | $4-17 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Pressed Steel Rail Ends |
| Brace Bands (4 per Brace) | $23 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Brace Band | $4-23 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 1^{\prime \prime} \times 1 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Brace Bands |
| Carriage Bolts (4 per Brace) | $11 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 5 / 16^{\prime \prime}$ Carriage Bolt | $4-11 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 5 / 16^{\prime \prime}$ Carriage Bolts |
| Pressed Steel Dome Caps (3 per Brace) | $23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Pressed Steel Dome Cap | $3-23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Pressed Steel Dome Caps |

## Installation

1. Drive or concrete the End Posts and pull a Guide Wire between them. Drive or concrete the Brace Posts and Pusher Posts using the Guide Wire for alignment. If they are set in concrete, allow a minimum of 2 days for the concrete to cure before pulling on the Brace.
2. To establish the location of the Cross Member, measure the distance from the bottom of the fabric to a point midway between the 2nd and 3rd wire. Using this measurement mark the End Post and the Brace Post.
3. Attach a Rail End and a Brace Band at these points - do not tighten completely. Attach another Rail End and Brace Band on the Pusher Post.
4. Measure the distance between the insides of the two Rail Ends on the Brace Posts. Cut the Cross Member to this length. This must be a tight fit. Install the same way by putting one end in one cup and sliding the other cup up or down the post to receive the other end. Slide back into place and tighten.
5. Install a second Rail End and Brace Band underneath the first Brace Band on the Brace Post, or middle Post, facing toward the Pusher Post.
6. Slide the Brace Band and Rail End on the Pusher Post down to ground level. 7. Measure the distance between the insides of the two remaining rail ends. Cut the Pusher to this length. Install the same way by putting the Pusher into the Rail End on the Brace Post, then put the other end into the cup on the Pusher Post. Jam this very tight by lifting this end as far as possible. This will set the brace, allowing no movement when the fence is tightened.
7. Make sure the Rail Ends and Brace Bands are aligned to the center of the posts. Tighten everything thoroughly.

NOTE: Braces must be installed at the end of every fence line, regardless of the length of pull. Braces should be placed no more than 1320 ft . apart. Do not substitute lighter tubing for this brace, as it will fail. Use only hot-dipped galvanized commercial fittings. Brace width must be a minimum of 2 times the height of the fence ( 2.5 times is preferred).

Line Posts: Set line posts using 20'- 30' spacing. Post spacing should be determined by terrain, turns in fence line, changes in weather conditions and animal pressure. If a combination of $23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Galvanized pipe and T-posts is used, the ratio of T-posts to line bosses should not exceed 4 to 1. 2" Galvanized Tubing can be used for all Line Posts. Use 30' post spacing as a guideline, in rough terrain closer post spacing will be required. A rigid post should be placed on the top of all hips and in the bottom of all dips. T-post weight should not be less than $1.33 \mathrm{lb} / \mathrm{ft}$.


## Fence Construction

## End Posts and Guide Wire

To begin construction, locate and set the end and corner posts. Use treated posts of no less than 6" in diameter or $31 / 2$ " pipe, set 4 ' to 6 'deep. The depth of setting depends on soil types; rocky soils set 4' and sandy soils 6'. After setting posts, use a guide wire of $121 / 2 \mathrm{ga}$. High Tensile wire pulled tight between posts. This wire becomes the fence line.


## Bracing

Braces are the backbone of any fence and must be built correctly. Braces may be single or double, however the width should ALWAYS be $21 / 2$ times the height of the fence. Cross members should be pipe, tubing, or round wood posts. Never $4 \times 4$ 's or landscape timbers. Double wraps of $121 / 2 \mathrm{ga}$. High Tensile or 9 ga. low-tensile wire make the twitch wire. Twitch wire MUST be anchored securely or the brace will fail.


## Dips \& Humps

Generally, the use of 20' post centers is more than adequate for High Tensile fencing, however this is only a guideline. A rigid post should be placed at the lowest point of a dip and at the crown of a hump. These posts should be larger than the line posts and set a little deeper. They will hold the fence up or down as required. Standing on the guide wire in dips will show you where to put the rigid post.

## Tying Off

Generally, High Tensile wire is tied off at both ends of the fence and is tensioned to the middle of the pull. This allows the fence to be tied off without being under tension. Use a High Tensile slip knot to tie off the wire. Keep the vertical wire straight so the wire will tension the same throughout the fence.


Splicing
Splicing can be done two ways; one by placing vertical stays over each other and wrapping the loose end of the wire around the corresponding horizontal wire 6 times. Secondly a splicing sleeve can be installed between the vertical stays and crimped with a crimping tool. Use sleeves designed for $121 / 2 \mathrm{ga}$. High Tensile wire only. Only Nicropress or EZ Pull tools should be used to achieve adequate holding strength.

## Tensioning

Using stretcher bars, up to four rolls (or $1 / 4$ mile of wire) may be tightened in one single pull. The tension crimp should be $1 / 2$ of the size of an un-tensioned crimp. Splice the wire and remove the stretcher bars.


## Trimming Out

Position the wire 1" off of the ground and staple to the post. Use barbed staples and leave room for the wire to move freely under the staple. Staple all high points first, and then pull the wire down and staple it last. If there are a lot of dips, a little less tension would be applied as pulling the wire down will tighten the wire more.

## Measurement Guide

NOTE: The formulas, diagrams and tables on this worksheet should be used to estimate only. Before beginning your project it is always recommended that actual measurements are taken to confirm the amount of fence needed for your project.

Common Fence Measurements

| Measurement | Equivalent |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1 foot | 12 inches |
| 1 yard | 3 feet |
| 1 rod | 16.5 feet |
| 1 mile | 5,280 feet $=1,760$ yards $=320$ rods |
| 1 acre | 43,560 sq. feet $=160$ sq. rods $=.4047$ hectares |
| 1 sq. mile | 640 acres $=1$ section |
| 1 sq. foot | 144 sq. inches |
| 1 sq. yard | 9 sq. feet |
| 1 sq. rod | 272.25 sq. feet |

Formulas to Determine Perimeter \& Area


| Rectangle |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Perimeter | $(2 \times$ Length $)+(2 \times$ Width $)$ |
| Area | Length $\times$ Width |
| Triangle |  |
| Perimeter | Total of three sides |
| Area | $1 / 2$ Base $\times$ Height |



## Diagrams \& Tables for Estimating Amount of Fence

| Square Acres | Length of One Side of Field (ft) | Length of Fence Required ( ft ) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 208 3/4 | 835 |
| 2 | $2951 / 6$ | 1,180 2/3 |
| $21 / 2$ | 330 | 1,320 |
| 3 | 361 1/2 | 1,446 |
| 4 | $4175 / 12$ | 1.669 2/3 |
| 5 | 466 2/3 | 1,866 2/3 |
| 6 | 511 1/4 | 2,045 |
| 7 | $5521 / 6$ | 2,208 2/3 |
| 8 | $5901 / 3$ | 2,361 1/3 |
| 9 | $6261 / 6$ | 2,504 2/3 |
| 10 | 660 | 2,640 |
| 20 | 933 5/12 | 3,733 2/3 |
| 25 | 1,043 7/12 | 4,174 1/3 |
| 30 | 1,143 1/6 | 4,572 2/3 |
| 40 | 1,320 | 5,280 |
| 50 | 1,475 5/6 | 5,903 1/3 |
| 60 | 1,616 2/3 | 6,466 2/3 |
| 70 | 1,746 1/6 | 6,984 2/3 |
| 75 | 1,807 1/2 | 7,230 |
| 80 | 1,866 3/4 | 7,467 |
| 100 | 2,087 1/12 | 8,348 1/3 |
| 120 | 2,286 1/3 | 9,145 1/3 |
| 140 | 2,469 1/2 | 9,878 |
| 160 | 2,640 | 10,560 |
| 320 | 3,733 7/12 | 14,934 1/3 |
| 640 | 5,280 | 21,120 |
| Rectangle Acres | Length of <br> Width of Field ( ft ) <br> Field ( t ) | Length of Fence Required (ft) |
| 1 | 264165 | 858 |
| 1 | 330132 | 924 |
| $11 / 4$ | 330165 | 990 |
| $21 / 2$ | 660165 | 1,650 |
| 4 | 528 330 | 1,716 |
| 5 | 660330 | 1,980 |
| 6 | 990264 | 2,508 |
| 7 | 1,320 231 | 3,102 |
| 8 | 1,320 264 | 3,168 |
| 9 | 1,320 297 | 3,234 |
| 10 | 825 528 | 2,706 |
| 15 | 1,320 495 | 3,630 |
| 20 | 1,650 528 | 4,356 |
| 25 | 1,320 825 | 4,290 |
| 30 | 1,320 990 | 4,620 |
| 40 | 1,650 1,056 | 5,412 |
| 50 | 1,650 1,320 | 5,940 |
| 60 | 1,980 1,320 | 6,600 |
| 70 | 2,640 1,155 | 7,590 |
| 80 | 2,112 1,650 | 7,524 |
| 100 | 2,640 1,650 | 8,580 |
| 120 | 3,168 1,650 | 9,636 |
| 140 | 4,620 1,320 | 11,880 |
| 160 | 5,280 1,320 | 13,200 |
| 320 | 6,600 2,112 | 17,424 |
| 640 | 6,600 4,224 | 21,648 |



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