



# Fence Post Installation Instructions

Recycled Plastic Fence Posts are more flexible than traditional wood posts, however, they are also highly durable. You can use traditional installation tools, including hammers, nails, drills, saws, and post pounders, so there is no need to purchase specialized tools or equipment. Installing Recycled Plastic Posts require a couple of minor modifications from installing wooden fence posts. We recommend you read our Installation Instructions and contact us with any further questions.

**Pounding:** If you have hard ground, prepare the ground as for a timber post: pre-spike or pre-drill holes. You can also use a metal sleeve (thin metal pipe) slightly wider than the post you are pounding) over top of the fence post. This will minimize flexing and help to drive the post into the ground. Accurate placement the posts with a quick hand tamp around the base. Posts can also be concreted into location

If after pounding the posts don't appear straight, don't panic. Once you tighten the wires, the posts will straighten to the structure of the wires.

**Fasteners:** Recycled Plastic Fence Posts have a higher 'grip' than a traditional post. You can use a couple of different fasteners with our posts.

Our first choice is the Cat's Claw Fastener. These are screwed into the post using a drill and can be removed and re-used again if you want. Fence Claws by Cat's Claw use a ¼" hex head, 2" long self-starting screw to secure the claw to the post. There's no hammering or pulling involved—You can use a power-drill to make the process so much easier! No more hitting your fingers in the cold, dropping and losing staples, supporting weak posts with your legs, or having to move wire to an undesirable position to accommodate post areas that can no longer support traditional wire staples!

With traditional staples, we recommend using a power stapler for ease of use. We would recommend a 1.5" staple, as longer staples may start to bend and are not required due to the grip of the plastic.

**Insulator:** Electric wire insulators are not required for Recycled Plastic Posts as the plastic is non-conductive. Electric wires can be attached via Cat's Claw Fasteners or Staples directly to the post.

**Corner Posts:** Due to the flexibility of Recycled Plastic Fence posts, we recommend you size up to a 5" or 6" post for corners. We recommend wood or metal H or Cross bracing for corners.