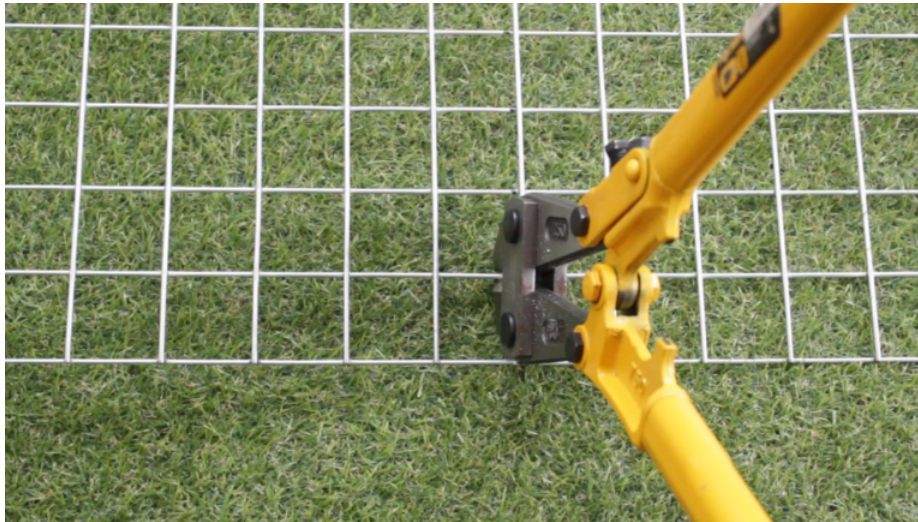


How to Cut a Fence Panel

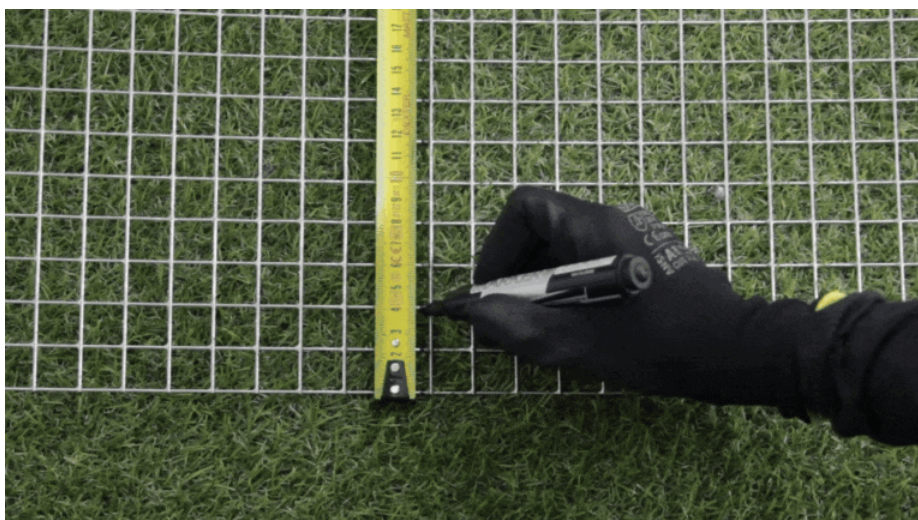
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Below you can find out how to cut a fence panel with different tools depending on the thickness of the wire.



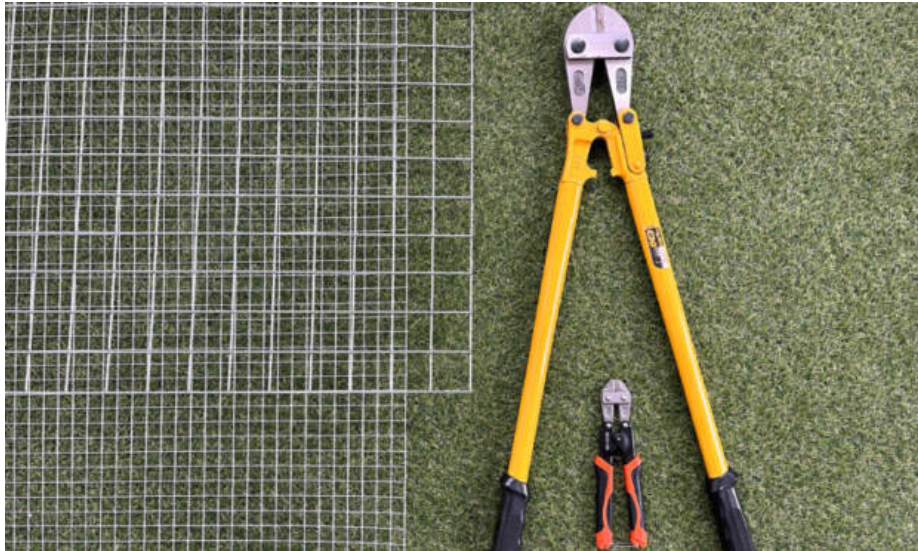
- **Experience Required:** Low
- **Tools Required:** Protective gloves, Tape measure, Marker, Wire cutters / Mini bolt cutters / Bolt cutters, Sandpaper or metal file
- **Materials Required:** Wire Mesh Panels

Step 1) Measure & Mark



- Lay your mesh sheet on a flat, level surface.
- Measure it accurately, and double-check your measurements before trimming.
- Use markers to clearly indicate the cutting lines on the surface of your fence panel.

Step 2) Choose the Right Tool



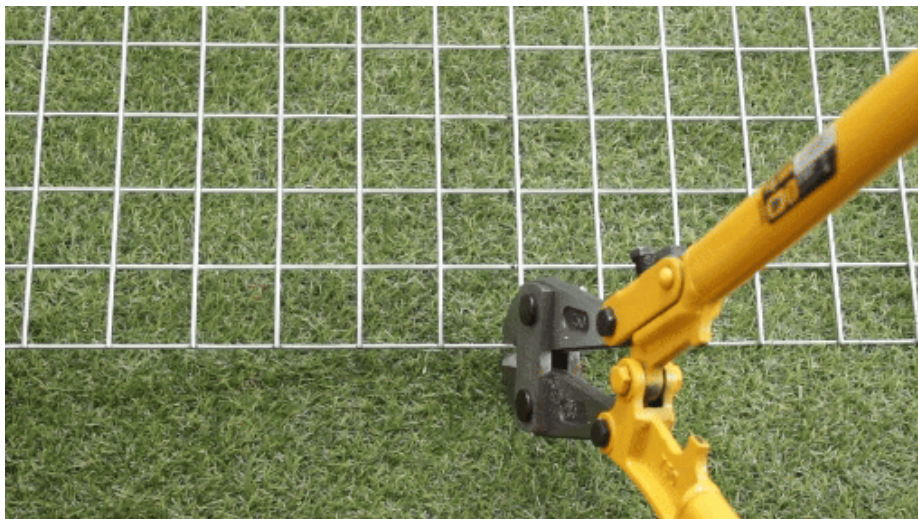
- Selecting the appropriate tool primarily depends on the diameter of the wire you need when cutting fence panels.
- For wires up to 2.5mm (12g), use wire cutters or mini bolt cutters.
- For mesh sheets with a thickness of 3mm (10g) or more, use bolt cutters.

Step 3A) Use Wire Cutters or Mini Bolt Cutters (max. 2.5mm)



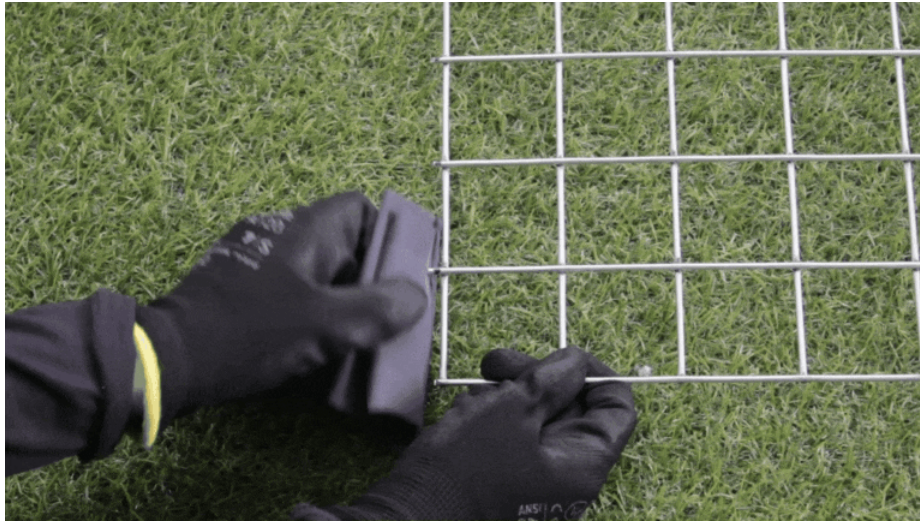
- Trim each wire strand individually using a wire cutter, positioning the cuts as close to the weld points as possible.

Step 3B) Use Bolt Cutters (3mm +)



- In the process of how to cut a fence panel, the strongest wires can be shortened using a bolt cutter.

Step 4) Final Adjustments



- If the trim is uneven or rough, refine it with sandpaper or a metal file.

Tips and Tricks

- While cutting a fence panel to size, trim close to the welds to prevent sharp wire ends.
- Make your cuts slowly; rushing could lead to rough edges that will require additional work.
- As an alternative, an angle grinder or saw can also be used in the process of how to cut a fence panel.
- Ensure the wire sheet is securely clamped or fastened in place before shortening to avoid any shifting during the process.
- For larger sheets, shape them into smaller sections to prevent bending or warping.

FURTHER READING

- [How to Attach a Fence Panel to a Post](#) – A guide showing you how to attach a panel to a post and different materials.
- [How to Cut Wire Netting](#) – Learn how to trim wire netting with different tools.
- [How to Make Your Own Gabion Baskets](#) – Step by step instructions on how to make your own gabion baskets from mesh sheets.

VIDEO

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