How to Install a Fox-Proof Fence

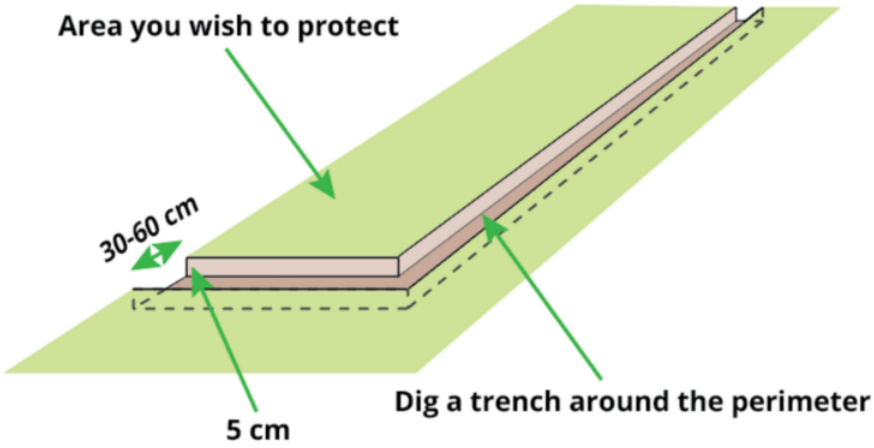
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Below you will find a step by step guide on how to install a fox-proof fence.

OVERVIEW

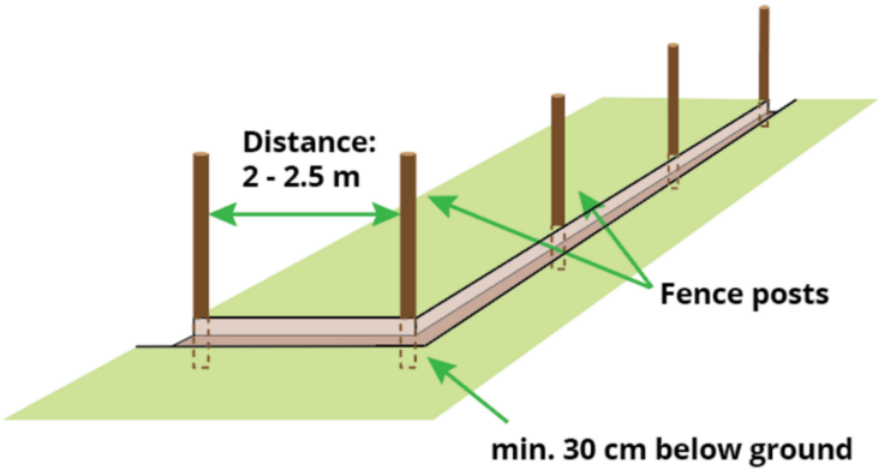
- **Estimated Completion Time:** 2-3 Days
- **Experience Required:** Medium
- **Tools Required:** Shovel, Hammer, Wire Cutters
- **Materials Required:** Fox Proof Fencing,Staples / Cable Ties, Pegs, Wooden Fence Posts, Fence Overhang Brackets

STEP 1) Digging a Trench



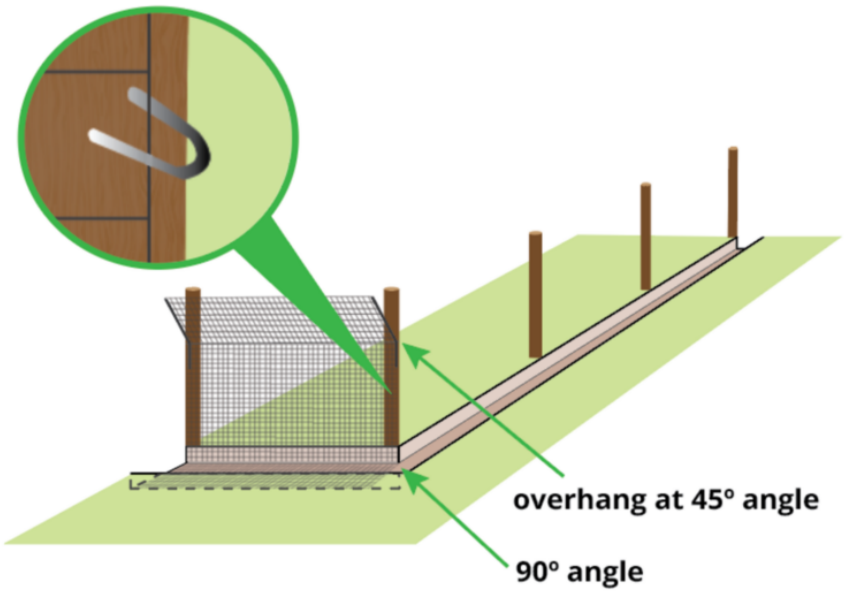
- Use the shovel to dig a trench around the perimeter to a 5cm depth and a 30-60cm width.

STEP 2) Placing the Fence Posts



- Place your wooden fence posts to an even distance of about 2-2.5 metres for effective fox-proofing.
- Make sure you have one at each corner of the area.
- Hammer the posts to a minimum depth of 30 centimetres into the ground.

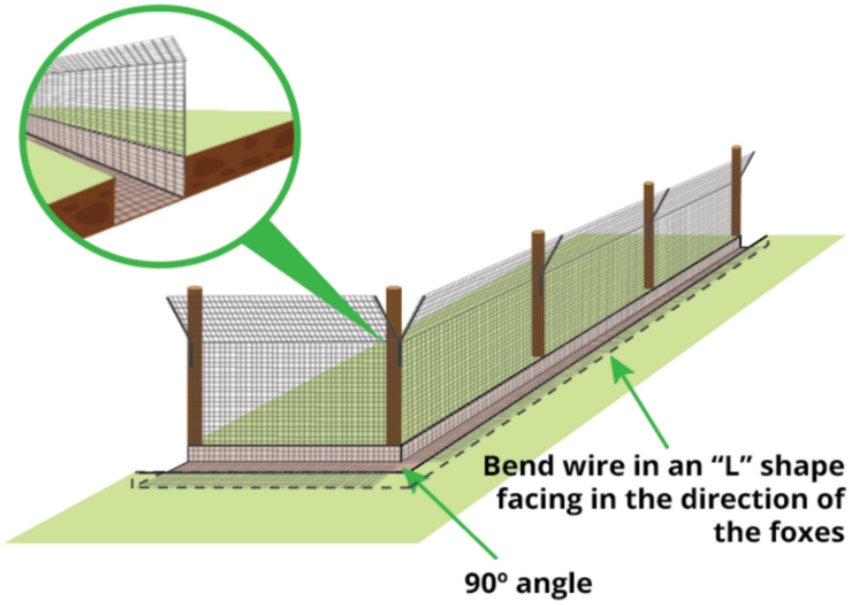
STEP 3) First Section With an Overhang and 'L' Shape Below Ground



- Take a piece of wire mesh long enough to cover the distance between the first two corner posts. Bend 30-60 cm at the bottom of the mesh in an 'L' shape pointing outward, in the direction of the foxes.
- You will need 2mm thick wire mesh or strong 2mm panels to keep foxes out. Visit our fox-proof fence category for information.

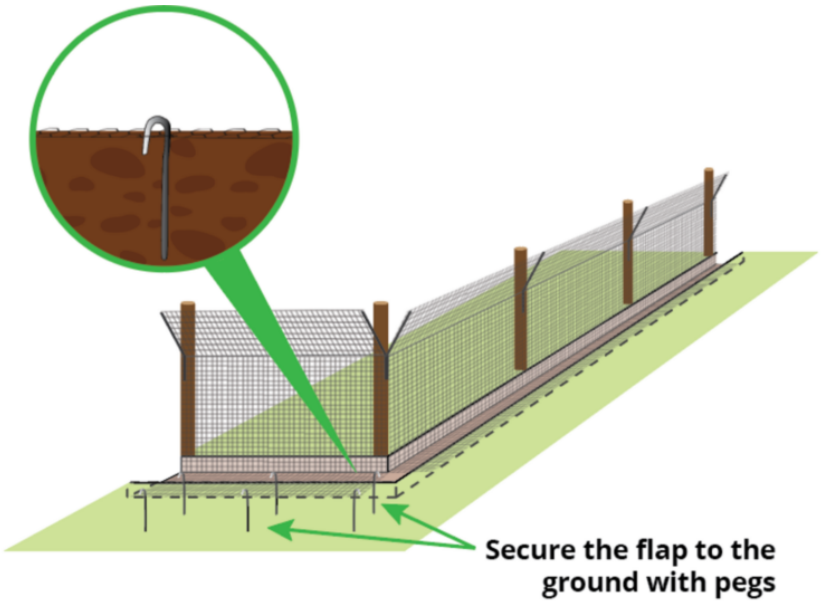
- Bend the top 50 cm of the mesh to a 45 degree angle, creating an outward facing overhang.
- Secure the section to the corner posts using staples (or cable ties for a quick fix).

STEP 4) Continuing on the Other Sides



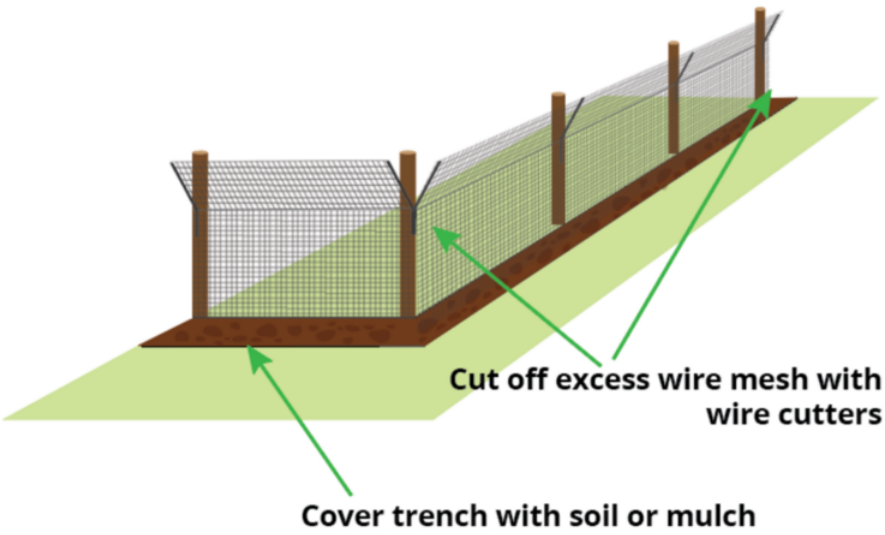
- Repeat the steps above on the other sides of the area.
- Secure the mesh to all intermediate posts. Pull the fence taut against each post and use the staples every 15 centimetres.
- Make sure to staple the wires loosely so that the fence can move a little on impact and temperature changes.

STEP 5) Securing the Flap to the Ground



- Use pegs to secure the flap to the soil.
- This will help keep the section of mesh fixed to the ground and prevent foxes from digging it up.
- Staple them right at the 90 degree angle and at the outside edge of the flap at about every 60 centimetres.

STEP 6) Finishing Touches



- Use wire cutters to remove any excess mesh.
- Check for any gaps in the fencing to make sure you get the best fox proofing results.

- Cover the outside flap with soil or mulch to hide it.
- That's it, you have now successfully fox-proofed your garden!

FURTHER READING

- How to Stop Foxes Digging Under a Fence – Step by step instructions on how to stop foxes digging under a fence.
- How to Install a Wire Mesh Fence – A guide showing you how to install a wire mesh fence.
- How to Cut Wire Netting – Learn how to cut wire netting.

VIDEO

Video: Watch the video on YouTube