

Glossary

Accent Decorative addition to top of fence such as lattice.

Aluminum Channel Aluminum structural support used as a stiffener in rails.

Auger Hand or machine-operated tool with a screw-like shank for boring holes in soil.

Blocking Method for supporting horizontal members, such as fence rails or gates.

Brace Diagonal component of a gate, provides dimensional stability.

Bullet Clip Gravity clip that is used to hold rails in posts.

Caps Vinyl accessory placed on top of fence posts to provide a finished look and prevent water penetration.

Crimp Lock Method for fastening rails inside posts. The rail is notched (crimped) so that it stays within the post once inserted.

EZ Set Bracket Aluminum bracket system that fits over a steel post as an alternative installation method to secure and hold vinyl post in position.

Fence Layout Section-by-section diagram of the proposed fence line.

Frost Line Lowest level in soil that freezes. Frost line depth depends on winter temperatures, soil type, and vegetation cover, and varies from 0" in warm regions to 3' or more in cold-winter areas.

Gate Movable framework or solid structure that swings on hinges; controls entrance or exit through an opening in a fence.

Gate Post Stiffener Structural aluminum support used in gate hinge and latch posts to solidify as an alternative to traditional concrete and rebar method.

Gloss Describes amount of reflection or sheen on the surface of vinyl.

Good Neighbor Fence Fence that has the same look on both sides.

Lock Ring Circular-shaped fastener with tabs that insert into rails for holding into posts.

Opposite Gate Used in double-gate situations; complements the primary gate; diagonal brace is mounted in the opposite direction for a pleasing, symmetrical look.

On Center (O.C.) Measure from the center of one object (e.g., a post) to the center of the next post.

Picket Vertical member of fence between rails.

Post Vertical support member of fence system.

PVC Polyvinyl chloride, the plastic resin used to manufacture "vinyl" fence.

Rail Horizontal pieces between fence posts.

Racking Method of installing fence on sloped terrain. Fence posts and pickets are plumb, but the rails are mounted at an angle so they parallel the grade.

Rebar Reinforcing bar, placed in end and gate posts to vertically reinforce the fence; No. 4 rebar is $\frac{1}{2}$ " diameter.

Routing Template A guide used for field routing posts that require hole positions other than standard.

Scalloped Fence style in which the pickets follow a concave pattern high on both ends and low in the middle.

Slope Degree of incline of a hillside; measured in inches of rise per horizontal inches of run (degree of rack).

Snap Cap Decorative plastic cap and washer system used to cover the screw head.

Spacer Bar Wood or like material used to determine in fill area between sections or gates (post spacing).

Steel Channel Galvanized steel structural support used as a stiffener in vinyl rails.

Stepping Method of installing fence on sloped terrain. Fence rails remain horizontal, and posts are extended to accommodate the variance in the grade.

Tamp Method of releasing air pockets in concrete by the use of repeated light blows with a mallet on outside of post or piece of lumber in post hole.

Wall Mount Brackets Aluminum bracket system used as an alternative installation method to fasten fence rails directly to walls or other structural surface.

Weep Holes Openings drilled in bottom rails for drainage of water.