

# Vinyl Horse Gate Installation

## Instructions

### INSTALLATION OF SINGLE DRIVE GATES

The first thing you need to do is attach your hardware to post; J-bolt for the hinge post and the Sure-latch for the latch post to mount the J-bolt measure down from top post and drill a 3/4" hole exactly center of post ( Do not try to drill hole straight through).

For crossbuck fence mark down exactly 8 5/8" and 33 1/2"

After you have drilled your 3/4" holes you need to install the J-bolt sleeves on the inside of the post. To get to the lower sleeve in place you will need to use a pliers or vise-grip, clamp the pliers on the sleeve and slide it down the inside of the post and start the J-bolt through. Leave the front face of the J-bolt about 3" from the post. Do the same on top. Snug the nuts.

On latch post mark down 9" from top of post, place the latch on post with the top of the latch on the 9" mark, center it and mark your 4 holes on post. Drill the hole you just mark using a 3/8" bit. Hold your latch in place run bolt thru, place the flat washer on, then the lock washer, then the nut, follow the same procedure for other 3 bolts. Tighten bolts. To install the hook mark down 9" from top of post center it and drill 3/8" hole. To install hook with 5/16"X1" bolt and flat washer and lock washer and nut and tighten.

Now you are ready to set your posts, if you need a opening of 12 ft. you need to set your post 12'-7" inside post to inside post. The same applies for 4 ft or 6 ft and etc. We recommend setting your hinge and latch posts in a min. 12" diameter x 36" deep concrete footing.

After your gate post are set in concrete you need to install your rails, cut them to the proper length, notch the rail and plug the ends with newspaper or duct-tape them shut, and snap the rail in place.

Now you are ready to fill the posts with concrete. You need two pieces of 1/2" x5 ft re-bar for each post. Fill each post about 1/3 of the way with concrete and slide the re-bar down, keeping the re-bar near the center of post. Bring the concrete to within 5-6" of the top of post. Allow concrete to cure 3-4 days before hanging gate. Don't forget to clean the posts before the concrete sets up on them.

Now you are ready to assemble your gate. Measure inside post to inside post and subtract 7 1/2" and cut your top and bottom rail. Lay the stile on a clean flat surface ( Look inside of stile there will be a "T" for top). Slide the top and bottom rail into the hinge stile make sure that the rail are tight against the stile, square rail to stile and run the 2" screws in. Slide latch stile on make sure it tight against the stile and square and lay cross rail on top of stile line up with opening measure 1/4" back from outside edge on hinge stile 1/8" back from outside edge of latch stile on top and bottom of rail mark and cut off . Duplicate for the other cross rail. Remove the latch stile and

install cross rails and slide latch stile back on square and install screws. Flip gate over and install screws on other side.

Now you are to hang the gate, simply remove the J-bolt and place them in the hinge on the hinge stile ( one up and one down ). Slide the J-bolt back through the post and tighten the nuts. Level the gate by adjusting the J-bolts.

Place the striker on latch stile, the pin wants to be set so that when it slide into the latch, it rides up and lifts the gate a little to take the pressure off hinge post. Mark the holes, drill them and bolt the striker on.

To install the safety chain and hook, attach chain to top striker bolt, and the hook to the far top latch bolt.

If you follow all instruction and be accurate, everything will look great.

## **DOUBLE DRIVE GATES**

Instead of a hinge post and a latch post, you have 2 hinge posts, so follow the above directions for the same placement of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " J-bolt hole and fill the posts with concrete.

Now you are ready to assemble your gates. Measure inside post to inside post and subtract 12" and divide by 2 because you have 2 gate. Cut top and bottom rail. Lay stiles on a flat clean surface ( Look inside of stile there will be "T" for top). Slide the top and bottom rail into the hinge stile make sure that the rail are tight against the stile, square rail to stile and run the 2" screws in. Slide latch stile on make sure it tight against the stile and square and lay cross rail on top of stile line up with opening measure  $\frac{1}{4}$ "back from outside edge on hinge stile  $\frac{1}{8}$ " back from outside edge of latch stile on top and bottom of rail mark and cut off. Duplicate for other cross rail. Remove the latch stile and install cross rails and slide latch stile back on square and install screws. Flip gate over and install screws on other side. Duplicate for other gate.

Now you are ready to hang the gates, simply remove the J-bolts and place them in the hinge on the hinge stile ( one up and one down). Slide the J-bolt back through the post and tighten the nuts. Level the gats by adjusting the J-bolts.

The Double Drive Latch come with 2 pieces; the latch and the receiver.. One piece goes on each gate and is place above the drop pin brackets. Measure down about 12" from the top for the placement. of the latch. There are 2 drop pin brackets for each gate also. These go on the bottom of the gate to hold the drop pins which go into the ground. You want to allow enough room for the pin to drop into the ground a few inches and also to clear the ground with enough space when opening the gate.

The chain kit which includes the 18" piece of chain and the hook. Bolt one on each gate on the same bolt that hold latch, or the drop pin brackets, Whichever you prefer.