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Kingston and Kingston w/Sunburst Installation Instructions

## Always check local building codes, property lines and underground utilities before installation.

Note: - These instructions must be followed exactly as written and the materials used must be exactly as shown in the instructions. Any deviation from the instructions or variation in the materials used/installed may result in an unsuccessful installation.

- When core drilling any post product where water can build up, the installer is responsible to drill a $1 / 4^{3}$ hole as close to the bottom of the post by the concrete as possible. If there is no weep hole, you may have damage from moisture build up and freezing.
- Aluminum " H " Stiffeners are required in all line and end posts for 7 ' and 8 ' tall fences unless the end post has an aluminum post stiffener. Corner posts do not need aluminum stiffeners.

Step 1: Layout the fence with a string line. Posts need to be $96^{\prime \prime}$ center to center for an 8 ' section (or $91^{\prime \prime}$ between posts). These are 5 " posts, so the center of the post will be $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ off the string. Mark the ground where the centers of all holes will be. Dig all holes. We recommend to have the bottom of the holes at least 3 ' deep, below the frost line (if possible) and bell out the bottom of the holes to help prevent frost uplift. For 5 " $\times 5$ " posts, 10 " to 12 " diameter holes are recommended.

Step 2: To help achieve correct height for posts, set string at a certain height from the ground. The following example is using string set 10 " off the ground.

> Example: 72" Kingston fence is 74" from the ground to the top of the post; subtract 10" (amount string is off the ground) from 74" (post height out of ground) $=64$ ". Mark with a pencil 64" down from the top of all the posts.


Pour approximately half a bag of concrete mix in the hole. Level the posts to the string and to 96 " center to center (if needed, you can use a 91 " spacer for this). Tap the post down until the pencil mark is at the string. Pour more concrete around the posts. We recommend the concrete be at least 8 " below the ground. Set all posts. Make any final adjustments to line up the posts. Using a rod (or something similar), run it up and down through the concrete a few times around the post to help pack the concrete. Pour some water on the concrete. For best results, let the concrete set up for a day or so.

NOTE: If using Aluminum Stiffeners, install inside of posts when installing the posts.

Step 3: Insert the bottom rail (make sure bottom rail has aluminum in it). Center side channel on post and between bottom and next routed hole. Screw side channel to post at both ends. (See Example 1) Install verticals. (See Example 2) End verticals can be cut in width for special length sections. Insert spokes; install top rail.

For Sunburst Option, the mid-rail, spindles and top rail come assembled. After installing verticals, install entire sunburst top.


Example 1

Cutting Sections to Special Lengths:

Cut the rails so each end will have the same spoke end spacing; notch the rails. The end verticals will also need cut to the desired width.

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| Gate <br> Installation: |

We recommend aluminum post stiffeners be used inside each gate post. These will strengthen the posts to be strong enough to support the gate and is an excellent base to fasten the gate hardware to. Install the stiffeners inside the gate posts when installing the posts. Place open side of post stiffener towards fence. If using a blank post, make sure the closed sides are towards the gate opening. The gates are pre-assembled; however, the hinges and latch will need to be applied. Installation instructions are provided with the gate hardware.


