

Closed Top Picket Fence



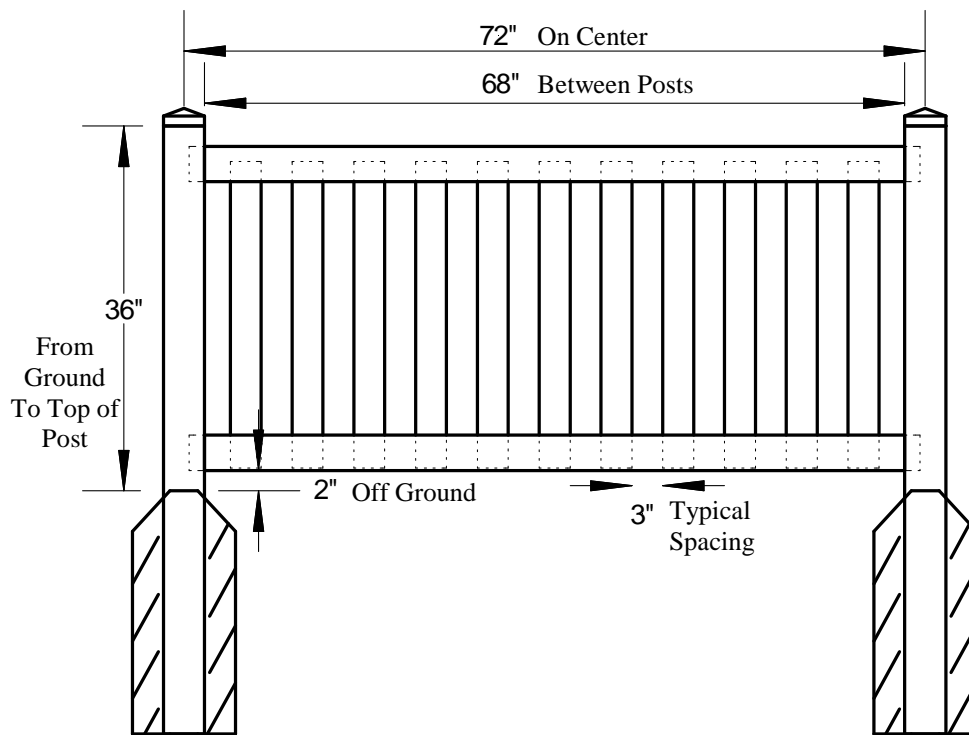
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Installation Guide



<u>Required Materials Per 6' Section</u>
<p>Rails (2) 2" x 3 1/2" x 71 1/2"</p> <p>Pickets (11) 7/8" x 3" x 30"</p>

<u>Recommended Tools</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Measuring Tape - Saw - Post Hole Digger - String - Stakes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Level - Shovel - 10" Auger - Paint / Marker - Concrete

Custom sized section will change post spacing, rail length, and quantity and spacing of pickets.

Installer is responsible to check compliance with all local building codes.

Be sure to have all underground utilities located if digging

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**Always check local building codes, and locate all underground utility lines before beginning installation.
Read all instructions before beginning.**

Layout

1. Pull string line along fence location. Mark post locations at 72" on center (68" between posts) or at nominal section width depending on section size.
2. Dig holes 10" in diameter and at least 2' deep.

Post Installation

1. Post height is determined by keeping the bottom hole for the fence 2" off ground. Keep fence height visibly consistent (allow for any small dips in ground).
2. To help keep even spacing between posts cut a spacer board at the needed distance between posts and hold the next post against it as you set the next post.
3. While not required for most applications, for best results use concrete around post. Be sure to not seal off the bottom of the post with concrete so water can drain. Failure to allow water to drain could result in the post filling with water and freezing causing damage to the post.
4. Finish filling hole with dirt. Pack firmly. **Make sure posts stay plumb, level, and properly spaced as post holes are refilled.**

Section Installation

1. Insert bottom rail into posts - routed side up - so that tabs snap into the posts. First into one post then back into the post on the opposite end.
2. Set pickets into the routed holes on the bottom rail.
3. Set top rail down over the pickets and insert into holes in post first on one end then back into hole on opposite post.

Tips and FAQ

1. When determining post placement allow for gates if needed. Spacing for gate opening is the nominal width of the gate. Example; a 3' gate requires a 36" opening (the gate is downsized to allow for the gate hardware).
2. Before inserting rails into gate posts, use duct tape to close ends of the rails so concrete from inside the posts can't get into the rails. (Gate posts need an aluminum post stiffener or be filled with concrete per gate installation instructions) Gate posts are the only posts that need reinforcing under normal circumstances.