

Compton Bridle Gate

Installation procedure

The Compton gate is supplied as a complete unit comprising of the gate and it's integral 'H' frame.

The positioning of the gate is usually determined by the position of an existing gate or gap. The 'H' frame must not be used as a straining post for the adjacent fencing.

Following factors must be considered:

- the exact line of the path
- the desirability of level ground through the gate
- the avoidance of any damp/marshy ground
- the position of overhanging branches and exposed roots
- the requirement of clear space either side of the gate to all users including families with pushchairs and disabled ramblers in mobility vehicles – all users require room to manoeuvre

Install as follows:

1. 2 holes to be dug – centres @ 1720mm, to a minimum depth of 730mm
2. 1 trench to be dug between the holes approx. 230mm below surface
3. install the gate and frame ensuring that the cross bar of the frame is level and the posts are vertically aligned from all sides using a level to ensure accuracy – failure to do this could prevent the gate from self-closing
4. anchor the gate posts using concrete to avoid movement from future usage
5. backfill holes and trench using hardcore or similar heavy grade material
6. unbolt and remove the long handle from the gate and insert back through the top guide, place the hook on the inside of the sprung handle washer and bolt back through to the bolt hole on the 4th rail
7. adjust the nuts on the gate eye hinge to ensure a steady smooth self-closure from the widest opening point, at the same time adjust the auto-catches on the slamming post so that the sprung handle striker enters the auto-catches' mouth at the highest possible point – this allows for slight drooping of the gate, finally tighten the bolts and shear the security nuts

Always ensure that the hanging and slamming posts are vertically aligned and are left clear to prevent misalignment. It is very important that the posts are not used for fence posts etc, these must be installed alongside the gate posts.

Installer must carry out necessary Risk Assessments and comply with current Health & Safety legislation, this includes the use of required tools and machinery and the relevant PPE.