

Useful tools for installing garden edging

- Spade
- Post hole shovel
- Mattock
- Trenching shovel
- Rake
- Spirit Level
- Builders Line
- Drill
- Rubber Mallet
- Angle Grinder

STEP 1

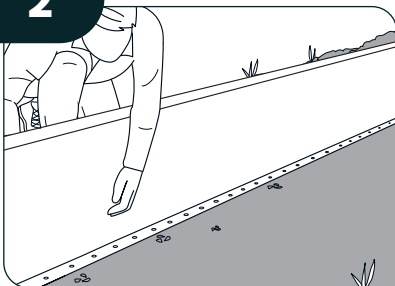


Site preparation

- › Begin by marking out the desired line for your edging using a suitable survey marking product.
- › Use a spade and/or mattock to cut away any lawn or clear any vegetation along this line.
- › Using a trenching shovel excavate a trench wide and deep enough to accommodate the edging, ensuring it will finish level with your desired height once installed. Remove any lawn, rocks or roots that will impede the installation of the edging.

! *Tip: It's better to dig the trench slightly deeper than required. Adjustments to the finished level of the edging can be made during installation. With the optional anchor systems, 400 & 550mm edging can retain at its full height. It's only necessary to bury the edging enough to provide a professional finish.*

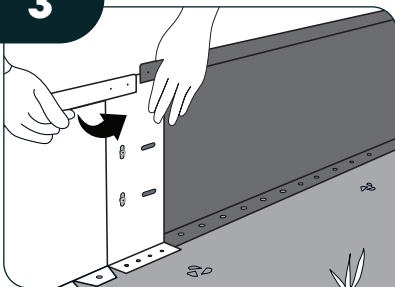
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Lay the edging

- › Place 2-3 lengths of your garden edging into the trench at a time.
- › Adjust the edging as needed to create smooth curves or straight lines, depending on your design.
- › Take your time to align the edging properly for a clean finish.

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Joining

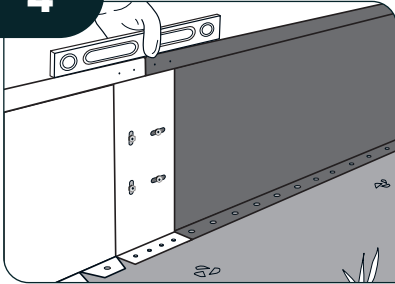
- › Where two pieces of edging meet, use joiners to connect the section securely.
- › Each edging length is supplied with a joiner piece pre-attached.
- › Slide the joiner under the top of the adjacent length, lifting the joiner over the welded studs and secure the lengths together using two Tek screws in the pre-drilled holes on the foot and the nuts provided.
- › This step is crucial for maintaining continuity and preventing unsightly gaps.

! *Tip: There are two additional predrilled holes in the top edge of the edging, these are optional fixing points for cases when the join may be under abnormal stress. If fixing through these holes is required, use a 3.2mm x 4mm rivet.*



Installation Guide for 400mm & 550mm Edging

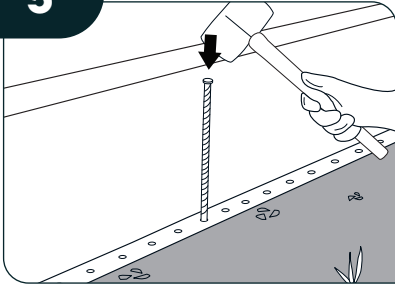
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Levelling

- › For straight sections use a builder's line set at the finished height of the edging.
- › Check the top of the edging to ensure it is level and consistent along the entire length.
- › Use a spirit level for curved sections.
- › Make any final adjustments as needed for a polished, professional finish.

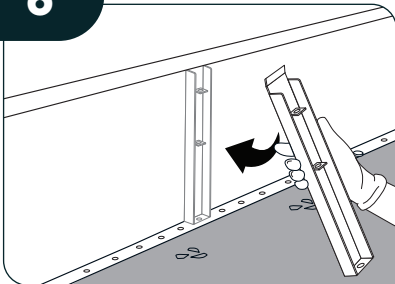
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Secure with galvanised twisted nails

- › Each length of 400mm and 550mm high edging is supplied with five galvanised twisted nails.
- › On every length installed, insert three of these galvanised twisted nails into the existing holes located along the edging foot to hold the section in position.
- › Ensure the galvanised twisted nails are driven firmly into the ground so the edging remains aligned during the installation process.

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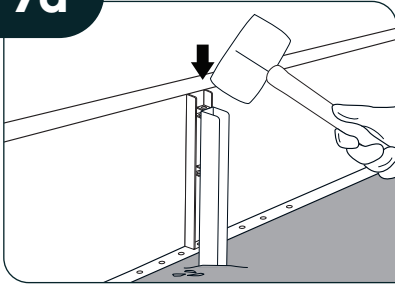
Installing braces

- › Each length of 400mm and 550mm high edging is supplied with two braces.
- › Insert these braces evenly along the installed edging sections and put them in position.
- › Ensure each brace sits flat against the edging foot and is aligned correctly before anchoring.

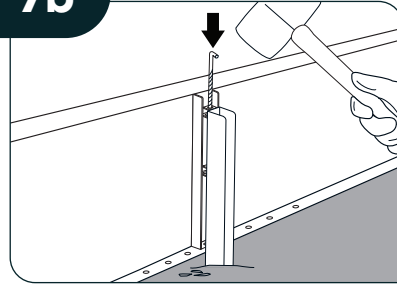


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STEP 7b



Option 1. Anchor Post 1060mm

In cases where the edging is being used to raise the garden bed by more than 50% of the edging height it is necessary to anchor to edge with the optional 1060mm anchoring posts.

! *Tip: Anchors are sold separately. In cases where the edging is being used to raise the garden bed by more than 200mm using the 400mm edging, or 275mm using the 550mm edging, it is necessary to anchor with the optional 1060mm anchoring posts.*

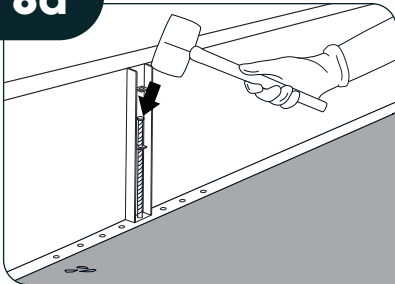
7a: Install the anchor post:

- › It is advisable to dig a hole with a post hole shovel first. At least for part of the depth. Hammer the anchor post firmly into the ground behind the edging.

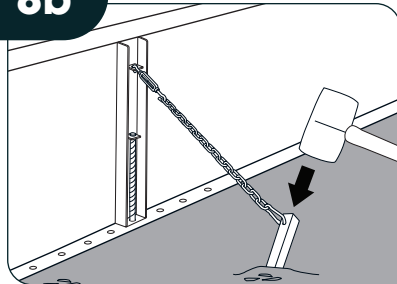
7b: Secure the assembly:

- › Align the tongues on the anchor post with the tongues on the bracing then drive the L spike supplied through the holes on the anchor post tongues, brace tongues, brace foot and edging foot, then into the ground.

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STEP 8b



Option 2. Chain & Spike Anchor

An alternative to the anchor posts is the chain and spike sets, these are installed by hooking the turn buckle into the top tongue on the brace then onto the chain. The spike is then driven into the ground at a 45-degree angle behind the edging.

Adjustments can be made by twisting the turn buckle till the edging is perfectly perpendicular.

8a: Install the galvanised twisted nail:

- › The galvanised twisted nail is to be slotted into the bottom tongue and pushed or hammered into the ground.

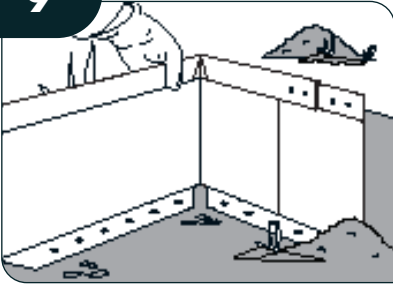
8b: Install the chain and spike anchor:

- › Hook the turn buckle into the top tongue on the brace then onto the chain. The spike is then driven into the ground at a 45-degree angle behind the edging.



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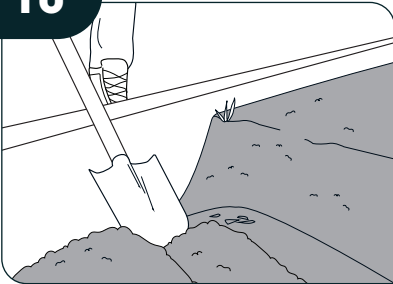
Corners

- > Optional internal and external prefabricated corners are available, they are supplied prepressed to 90 degrees. Each side of the corner is 250mm long.
- > If the need to manufacture a corner onsite is required. Use an angle grinder to cut a V in the foot and the top edge then score the fold line to make it easier to fold by hand.

> **Please follow all safety guidelines and wear suitable PPE.**

ⓘ **Tip:** Use a block of wood clamped along the fold line when folding the corner to help provide a professional finish. A rubber mallet is useful to make final adjustments to the angle of the corner.

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Backfilling

- > Once the edging is secure, use a rake or shovel to backfill the trench with the soil or material you initially removed.
- > Pack the soil firmly around the base of the edging to provide additional stability.
- > Fill the raised garden bed with a suitable growing medium.

ⓘ **Tip:** To maximise the longevity of your edging the back should be painted with a bitumen membrane and allowed to dry before backfilling with soil.