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Steel Edging Installation: Question and Answer

Q: How much of the edging will be exposed above ground?

A: The preferred installation height range is from ½” to 1” above ground. Installations within this range maintain the integrity of the landscape design without disrupting lawn maintenance. Higher installations are possible if desired function is to retain mulch or another like medium.

Q: What is the recommended ground preparation before installing the edging? Is this new construction or a retrofitting application?

A: Most new construction sites offer soft soils that require no preparations. The edging is usually installed first and back-filled with dirt or sod. If the site requires preparation there are several options: tilling, trenching, or soaking the area with water.

Q: What equipment is needed?

A: If the site need soil preparation, then appropriate ground prep tool is required (shovel, trencher, tiller, etc). All installations require gloves, a hammer or rubber mallet, and a cutting tool (hack saw or like instrument, circular saw with a metal cutting blade, blow torch, saber saw or metal shears).

Q: How is the product installed?

A: Installation usually requires a four step process:

1. Prepare the site by loosening the soil and place the first strip of edging in the desired location. *(Hint: A hose or string may be helpful in outlining the pattern.)*
2. Place first stake into slot and drive into the ground with a hammer or similar blunt instrument. All stakes should be installed below the top of the edging. Proceed with other stakes. *(Hint: Slots for the edging generally are oriented to the inside of the garden bed or the opposite of where the smooth outer face is desired. A piece of wood may be used to protect the stake or edge from damage when striking the stake.)*
3. Connect the next piece by driving stake through the top slot of one piece into the bottom of the next piece. Repeat until all edging is installed. *(Hint: Edging should drive into ground as you strike the stakes through the slots. In areas where the edging must be cut, it must be done before the stakes are driven through the slots into the ground.)*
4. Touch-up with paint in necessary.