

Can Oz-Posts™ be removed?

Yes, Oz-Posts™ can be extracted. If they are placed in the wrong spot, the fence needs moving, or they are only temporary. In lightly compacted soil conditions you can remove Oz-Post™ by using a 6' long pry bar. Place the pry bar under the housing, and using a piece of wood or a concrete building block placed at approximately 10" from the Oz-Post™ you can lever the Oz-Post™ out of the ground. If this fails your Oz-Post™ distributor can sell or rent you an Oz-Puller™ to make this process much easier.

What if the ground becomes water-logged?

Ground soil will expand and contract depending upon the water saturation levels. This is a natural property of ground soil and cannot be avoided. Due to the large surface area of the Oz-Post™ fins there is a high level of adhesion of the soil onto the Oz-Post™. This helps to give Oz-Post™ their lateral strength and support. Where the ground is very water logged you may notice some increased movement in your fence, as the ground dries this deflection in your fence will decrease back to usual levels. It should be noted that these effects and properties are also evident when constructing a fence using concrete.

How does wood shrinkage effect Oz-Post™?

Shrinkage in wood is a natural property, as moisture is absorbed and evaporated from the timber. This is not a concern as the Oz-Post™ housing fully encapsulates the timber post and also allows for drainage. It is recommended that the bolts be tightened 2-6 months after installation to assure the tightest possible connection.

Shrinkage is a far greater problem when considering posts that have been secured using concrete. As the timber shrinks (the concrete does not) a concrete container is created which inevitably will hold water, thus your timber post becomes submerged until the water drains, a great environment for fungal decay. That is why your posts rot out before the fence.

What about Frost?

Oz-Post™ can be used in both warm and cold climates. Frost is a force that can easily ruin any kind of post installation that is not done correctly. Posts that have been installed with post holes and concrete can be "heaved" out of the ground by the freezing and thawing of the surrounding ground. If the buried concrete has rough sides frost can grab the post and heave it out of alignment and eventually completely out of the ground if it is left unattended. In areas that experience below freezing conditions evidence of damage caused by frost is easy to spot. To assure that the concrete has smooth sides it is recommended that paperboard sleeves like "sono-tubes®" be inserted in the augured hole to produce smooth sides and help prevent movement from frost. The use of sono-tubes® is highly recommended for frost prone areas. This adds additional cost to traditional installations that should be considered when comparing with the Oz-Post™ System

On the contrary Oz-Posts™ can be installed even if the ground is already frozen! The smooth fins on the Oz-Post™ give frost nothing to "grab" onto making the installation far less likely to be heaved by the frost. If for whatever reason a post installed with Oz-Posts™ is heaved out of alignment it can easily be removed and reinstalled in the correct location. The same operation with a concrete installation would prove to be very time consuming.

Can Oz-Posts be used on a Gate?

Yes, Oz-Posts can be used for all kinds of gates that would normally be installed with a 6" – 8" post hole and concrete. This includes pedestrian gates up to 5'. If you are installing a gate that

