

Gadget Board Installation Instructions

NOTES: Please check for any damage caused by the shipping company and take appropriate steps to file a claim, if needed.

*Please call **Digsafe** and check for any underground utilities before digging anywhere.

Materials needed

Post hole shovel, level, tape measure, hand tamp, screw gun, wheel barrel, 50lb bags of fast-setting premixed concrete (not included). Concrete amount required may very depending on how deep you can get the holes. Concrete amounts can be easily calculated at http://www.quikrete.com/Calculator/Main.asp.

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- 1. Remove items from packaging. (2) posts and one (1) fence assembly.
- 2. Lay the Gadget Board on the ground and attach the posts using the screws supplied. The post are marked where the base of the Gadget Board should be positioned.
- 3. Move Gadget board assembly to desired location and lay assembly on its side.
- 4. Position the Gadget Board assembly so the posts are close to the location you want and mark the location of the post bottoms.
- 5. Dig 12" round 48" +/- deep post hole at both post locations using post hole shovel or post hole digger. The bottom of hole should "flare" out a little to create a bell shape to prevent frost heaving the post where applicable. Check local codes for the frost line in your area.
- 6. Using the hand tamp, compact any loose material at the bottom of the hole.
- 7. Test fit the Gadget board assembly in the empty holes and make any adjustments to the hole location and the length of the post so the board is at the appropriate height and surrounded by equal amounts of concrete when poured. Post are left intentionally long for areas that they need to extend below a frost depth.

*Note: If you encounter immovable objects the legs can be trimmed so the grade marks on the legs end up at finished grade.

- 8. Fill the bottom 6" of hole with drainage stone. Then lift Gadget Board assembly and set bottom posts into post holes so grade mark is at grade. Again, trim the bottom of the posts if necessary.
- Using a bubble level, check the level of the Gadget Board assembly and plumb the posts in both directions by placing the level on two adjacent sides of the post. It is optional to hold this positioning by using strapping and stakes, but it is not required.
- 10. Holding the Gadget Board assembly upright by hand or with strapping, fill 1/4 of the hole with fast setting concrete mix and add water per instructions on bag. Recheck to make sure Gadget Board assembly is level and plum, and make any adjustments.

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- 11. Fill the rest of the hole with concrete per instructions on bag, stopping four inches below the grade line marked on the Gadget Board posts. Recheck to make sure Gadget Board is level and plumb periodically while concrete cures. Let cure for 24 hours.
- 12. After concrete cures, backfill holes and hand tamp good draining soil firmly to 3" below finished grade, install top soil to finish grade and plant grass to fill in around holes.
- 13. All wood is treated with kid-friendly preservative, but as is the case with all wood facing the elements, it needs to be cared for, so check it periodically for rough spots, splinters, etc, and sand them out, and treat it with kid-friendly wood preservative (we have it available if you can't find it) once or twice a year to keep the wood from deteriorating.
- 14. Enjoy your Gadget Board!