



# Pedestal Pipe 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

5/8" socket and socket wrench, Post hole shovel, spade shovel, level, tape measure, hand tamp, and seven (7) 50lb bags of fast-setting premixed concrete (not included). Concrete amount required may vary depending on how deep you can get the holes. Concrete amounts can be easily calculated at <http://www.quikrete.com/Calculator/Main.asp>.

## Instructions

1. Remove items from pallet. You should find two (2) shiplap (L-notched) post halves (one with the pedestal pipe assembly and one without), one (1) set of mallets (if ordered), and one (1) package of hardware.
2. Attach the two shiplap (L-notched) post halves together with the screws provided.
3. Move pedestal pipe assembly to desired location and lay assembly on its side. Position the pedestal pipe assembly so the post is close to the location you want and mark the location of the post bottom.
4. Set post hole diameter to 1'-0," and post hole depth to approximately 4'-0" (depending on region). If you encounter immovable objects the post can be trimmed so the grade marks on the post end up at finished grade. Using the hand tamp, compact any loose material at the bottom of the hole.
5. Fill the bottom 6" of hole with drainage stone. Then lift pedestal pipe assembly and set bottom post into post hole so grade mark is at grade. Again, trim the bottom of the post if necessary.
6. Using a bubble level, plumb the post 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.
7. Holding the pedestal pipe 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 pedestal pipe is plumb, and make any adjustments.
8. Fill the rest of the hole with concrete per instructions on bag, stopping four inches below the grade line marked on the pedestal pipe post. Recheck to make sure pedestal pipe is plumb periodically while concrete cures. Let cure for 24 hours.
9. Backfill hole 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 hole.
10. 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.
11. Enjoy your Pedestal pipe!

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