



## Do-it-yourself Fencing Repair - Replacing Posts in Fence Made simple [Handyman Atlanta](#)

Do-it-yourself fencing repair can be quite a challenge for your inexperienced but it doesn't need to be. Knowing times are tough so when a thirty year veteran I'll try to make fencing repair, changing rotted fencing posts and replacing panels inside your fence doable in case you enjoy it yourself and cut costs. I am going to address:

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You can find as much How you can Wood Fence and Fencing Repair as there are nails in fence pickets. The way in which I describe here spent some time working for me personally here in the Dallas Texas metro area for many years.

Do it yourself fencing repair: Is straightforward in case you go about it the right way but is quite hard should you do it the wrong way which enable it to end up frustrating and expensive.

Replacing Rotted Fence Post: Replacing posts within a Fence is probably the most difficult things about fencing repair. I've come across DIYer's try everything to acquire broken fence post out of the ground. Certainly one of my personal favorites is the thing that I call the Grand Canyon. This is when a DIY will dig an opening so large around the fence post which they almost have to have a cement truck to haul enough concrete to grow it. Maybe you have dug a hole for any fence post? If so utilize notion of digging a 8 inch diameter hole for any fence post against the concrete with the old fence post about 2-2 1/2 feet deep. Then require a sharp shooter shovel in order to a little dirt from either side from the concrete. Use post hole digger to get rid of the microscopic amount of dirt that you loosened from the post hole. An individual has a hole which is deep enough by purchasing some effort use a rock bar to lever the broken post and concrete in to the hole you merely dug so it is going to be easy to lift out.

Position the new pole from the hole, make old hard concrete and make use of as filler within

the hole and put as much premixed wet concrete within the hole as required to fill to the ground level then plumb the pole using a level. Then you're able to wait A day for your concrete to harden throughout the new fence post the nail fences panels into it or go ahead nail that old or new fence panels to it, re-level the post after which make use of an old fence board to guide it.

If you need the more way to avoid it you'll be able to purchase a new fence post in near the existing so you do not have to dig the wood post out.

**Cedar Fence Post:** Cedar is of course highly proof against rot, decay, warping and bugs when used above ground. If it is saturated with moisture when positioned in the hole with concrete around it and gets dry, it'll shrink leaving a void that will take on water. This results in a premature rotting process. This could also happen at the walk out if the concrete is not poured to some level that will aid repel the water outside the fence post. Use a good weather treatment to soak the post end just before installing to extend the life of a cedar fence post. I have tried personally Behr and Olympic with good success.

**Treated Wood Post:** Pressure treated wood post have a very chemical which is resistance against rot and bugs. The tag for the end with the post essentially retail chains like (Lowe's or Lowes) will explain whether it is best for ground contact. I have come across a lot of Landscape timbers useful for posts in a fence. These usually do not contain the proper treatment that may give it the rot protection so unless someone is on the very tight budget I will not recommend such a wood post for fencing. Pressure treated pine fence post can warp or check from drying and shrinking (seems like a split). To minimize warping and twisting ensure that you attach a gate panels with all the correct screws or nails. Correctly for a specified duration to go into over the rail along with the post by 2 1/2 - 3 inches. Also ensure that it is just a Hot Dipped Galvanized screw or nail in order that the chemicals inside the wood don't deteriorate them.

I've come across that pressure treated wood post last many years but could dry rot at the ground level however, you could also minimize this by soaking the part that can be exposed to the soil inside a good weather sealant.

**Galvanized Metal Fence Post:** Galvanized Metal Fence Post are my substitute for use for fencing a yard or changing out a rotted fence post. When they're installed correctly they're able to last a lifetime. Diameter of the hole these are to get cemented into ought to be Eight to ten inches and the depth must be at the least 30 inches and up to 48 inches. The soil and ground condition plus the freeze line to your area will dictate this. They are going to cost you a bit more however in my personal opinion are worthy of the real difference. Just be sure you get a

heavy gauge being a.095 and put a dome cap on it so it doesn't work like a rain gauge. The looks just isn't as natural as wood fence post but this can be by boxing it having a fence board or two.

Changing a Wood Fence Picket: Changing a gate Picket is nearly self explanatory. Inside the Dallas Texas metro the alternatives of fence pickets are beginning together with the best then on the last are Cedar (3-4 different grades), Composite ( recycled materials like Trex, Correct Deck ), Pressure Treated Yellow Pine and Spruce - Fir - and White Pine ( These are all in the white wood category). The white woods routinely have a longevity of Seven to ten years unless an excellent weather sealant is applied.

Once again be sure that your screws or nails have the right length and either hot dipped galvanized or aluminum.

You can attach a fence board to the peak of the pickets or a nylon string to use to hold the very best straight because you fasten them to the rails.

Adding or Changing Fence Rail: I have had probably the most success changing fencing rail leave a fence panel linked to the post. Make use of a sawzall with a metal cutting blade. Slip the blade between the rail along with the post to help you cut claws or screws. Utilize a Wonder Bar along with a hammer to enable you to wedge it relating to the rail as well as the fence board. Pry a gate board from the fence rail. Continue with the same procedure with all the fence boards. Consider the fence rail out. Cut the new anyone to the same length. Drive their nails through the fence picket leaving the nail in. Insert the rail. Hammer to nails back into the fence rail. Then you definitely will use 3 1/2 inch hot dipped galvanized nail to hammer from the rail into the fence post.