8327 Field Gate Spring Fastener Set Installation Instructions (Hung "Between" Posts Installation)

Top Rail

Latch

Stile

Post

Spring Latch

8316 Retainer

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- Hang the gate on the hinge post prior to installing the spring latch. Ensure the gate is in the desired position and that it swings properly. Allow 4 inches between the post and the gate on the latching side.
- 2. Install the latch bar retainer (designed for gates 2 ¾" to 3" thick) so that it is aligned with the top rail of the gate. Use the screws provided to fasten. (Note: Pre-Drill for the screws to avoid splitting the wood)
- 3. Place the spring latch bar through the retainer and place it centrally on the gate stile. Align the top of the latch to allow adequate finger access above the bar retainer. Secure the latch bar to the gate stile using the 2" x #12 wood screw (supplied) and a lag

screw or carriage bolt. (Pre-Drill for these to prevent wood from splitting)

4. Push the gate to the closed position and align the catch plate so that it is about ½" to 1" below the bottom of the bar retainer. Mark the location of the holes in the plate on the post. Attach the plate centrally on the post using two lag screws supplied. (Pre-drill for these holes to prevent wood from splitting)



If this latch is being installed on fields used for livestock, the top of the spring latch should be at least 1" below the edge of the post. Periodic checks to ensure proper fit and function of the latch should be carried out regularly as the movement of either post could result in catch failure. Although accidental opening by an animal is unlikely, for optimum protection a chain and clip should also be installed.

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