

# Installation Instructions

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STEEL GARDEN EDGING

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## 1. Before starting your installation

**Safety:** Always wear work gloves when handling the stakes and edging pieces to avoid the risk of cuts. We advise the use of eye and ear protection when using power tools.

Remove any existing edges.



## 2. Marking out your garden design

For straight lines, use a string line stretched taut from either end. For curves, use chalk or spray paint to mark out your design. Cut your bundles open and disperse your edging along the line you're working on.



## 3. Preparing the soil

Dig out a furrow along the lines that you have marked using a hand trowel or spade. Keep in mind that the depth of your furrow will dictate how much edging is in the ground.

For general strength requirements a minimum of 1/3 of the profile height is recommended.



## 4. Shaping the edging

Bend and shape the edging pieces to suit the application. For curves, run your foot or hand down the length using even pressure to create the curves.

Tip: For tighter curves use our rubber forming strip to avoid kinking the edge.



For corners, lay something straight such as a piece of timber, across the edge and lever edging up to create the desired angles. There are multiple methods of shaping the edging, the best method will depend on the user.



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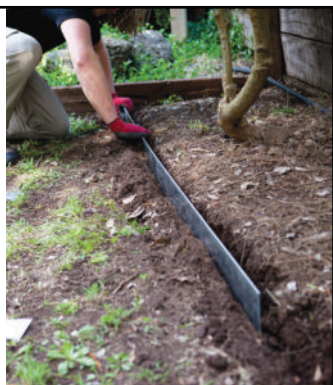
### 5. Aligning edging lengths

Lay one piece of edging into the furrow to gauge the finished height. Adjust the depth of the furrow if necessary. Make sure there are no rocks or roots blocking your desired path.



### 7. Laying the edging

Lay the connected lengths into the furrow to your desired height. Back-fill the furrow so that the edging is supported by soil on both sides and resting at your desired height. Tip: Keep in mind that at least 1/3 of the edging profile will need to be in the ground. Putting it further into the ground will give the edge even more support. Extra step: Overlap excess edging, mark with a square and cut.



### 6. Joining the edging

Join three to four shaped pieces together using the smart connectors provided. Alternatively you can use off-cuts cut into small sections. To connect, turn the connector upside down and put in place with both lips facing each other, locking in both top and bottom. Clamp this before inserting a screw at the bottom. Screws must be inserted below the soil level for safety reasons.



### 8. Installing the stakes

The stakes are fitted to the side with the lip. Tap the stake into the ground as close as possible to the edging. Lift the edging and place the lip on the stake. Clamp the stake to the edging and then remove some soil to allow you to insert the screw into the stake as close to the bottom of the edging as possible.



### 9. The final result

Tap down the edging with a rubber mallet to make your final height adjustments. For best results, use a rag to wipe the edging down after finishing the installation.



**Tip:** The screw must be under the level of the soil for safety and aesthetic reasons. When using angled stakes, it is necessary to insert two screws at the bottom.

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