

Fencing



There are many different types of fencing available for horse paddocks. It is important to choose a type of fencing that has the highest safety for your horse. The biggest consideration is to ensure that a horse has the minimum opportunity for injury from the type of fence selected. The most common fencing types range from post and rail, combinations of post, rail and wire through to post and wire and combinations to include electric fencing.

At this location, the chosen fencing type is plastic poles with white plastic electric fence tape. It is important that the fencing is high visibility for horses so they can identify the boundaries of the paddock. Also this material will break and prevent serious injuries if a horse runs into the fence, and it is easy to repair. The external boundary fences include a ringlock fence, which specifically keeps additional animals from entering the property.

Should you choose to use ringlock fencing, it is ideal that electric outriggers be placed on the fences, which is designed to keep horses off the fences and prevent them from putting their legs through the fence, which could result in serious injuries.

The gates should have an electric bungee rope installed across the entrance. This creates a safer access into the paddock for people managing horses as well as preventing the gateway from becoming degraded and muddy in winter and prevents horses from getting their legs stuck in the gates.

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