

QUIKRETE®

SET POSTS WITHOUT MIXING

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Dig the post hole making it 3x the width of the post and a minimum depth equal to 1/3 of the above ground height of the post. For loose or sandy soil the use a QUIK-TUBE® Building Form is recommended.
2. Pour 6" of gravel or crushed stone into bottom of hole.
3. Place post into hole. Use a level to position post and attach 2x4s to temporarily brace.
4. Fill the hole with with Fast-Setting Concrete Mix up to 3-4" below the ground level.
5. Pour water into the hole and allow it to soak into the dry mix. Use enough water to saturate the Fast-Setting Concrete Mix. Sets in 20-40 minutes.
4. After the concrete has set. Fill the remainder of the hole with soil or sod. Wait 4 hours before placing heavy objects.

TOOL & MATERIALS NEEDED:

- QUIKRETE® Fast-Setting Concrete
- QUIK-TUBE® Building Form
- Plumb line or level
- Post hole digger or power auger
- Pressure treated wood posts or galvanized steel posts



See reverse for slab and sidewalk building instructions

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BUILDING SLABS & SIDEWALKS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Sidewalks and patios should be at least 3 ½ inches thick. For straight slabs, construct forms out of 2x4 boards. For curved slabs, use 1/4" (6 mm) plywood for forms.
2. Dampen the forms & base thoroughly, but do not leave puddles.
3. Mix concrete and shovel into the form to completely fill it at a uniform depth and approximately ½" above the forms.
4. After the concrete has been spread and compacted, strike off and level using a straight 2x4 board. Move the edge of the board back and forth with a saw-like motion. Float the surface smooth using a wooden or metal float or darby.
5. Cut the concrete away from the forms by running an edging tool or trowel along the forms to compact the slab edges. Cut 1" control joints into the slab every 6 to 8 feet using a grooving tool.
6. For a smooth finish, use a steel trowel after the surface moisture has evaporated and the concrete has lost its sheen. A broom can be used for a more textured, skid-resistant finish. Surface is walkable in 2 hours. Wait 4 hours before placing heavy objects on the slab.
7. Cure concrete according to instructions on Fast-Setting Concrete Mix bag.

TOOL & MATERIALS NEEDED:

- QUIKRETE® Fast-Setting Concrete
- QUIKRETE® Concrete Sealer
- Gravel or crushed stone (if needed)
- 2" x 4" (50 mm x 100 mm) screed board
- Wood float or finishing trowel
- Jointer and finishing broom
- Wheelbarrow and power mixer (recommended)
- Shovel
- Hammer
- Stakes and nails
- Carpenter's square
- Measuring tape
- Mason's line
- Level
- Edger
- Masonry hoe

