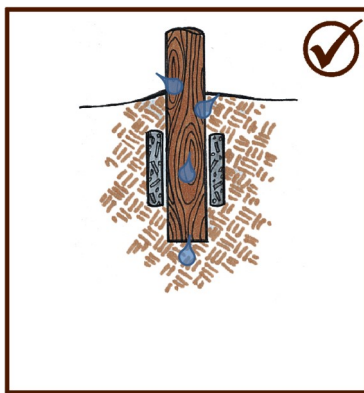


HOW TO PLANT A PRESERVATIVE TREATED WOODEN POLE

The process of proper preservative treatment of timber requires for the preservative to be deeply impregnated into the permeable or treatable sapwood, resulting in a deep envelope of preservative treatment around the central and inner impermeable or untreatable heartwood. It is preferable that timber is purchased in the size and shape in which you intend to use it. If this is not the case and you subsequently cut or machine the timber you may expose the untreated heartwood. In order to retain the integrity of the preservative treatment it is important that you liberally brush on a similar preservative or suitable remedial & supplemental preservative to the cut surface. The cut end of a treated pole or sawn piece of timber must never be the end which you plant into the ground. Rather use the uncut end. Anti-split plates should be replaced if you cut off any end of a pole that previously contained an anti-split plate.

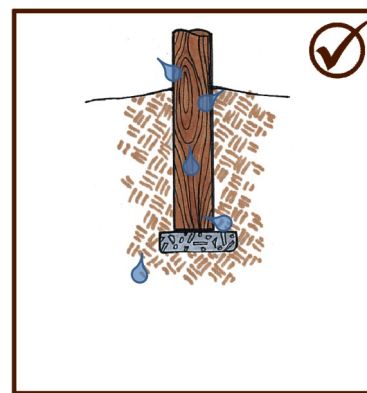
If treated timber, e.g. a treated post is planted in the ground it is essential that you allow for rainwater or ground moisture absorbed by the wood to drain out.

COLLAR



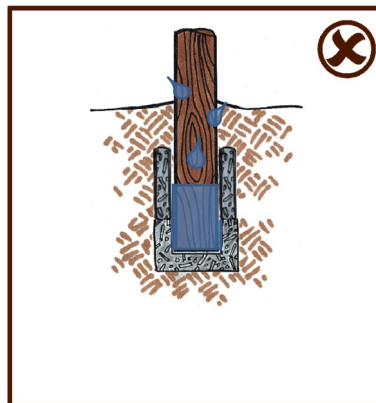
If you need to use concrete to plant the post then ensure that the concrete forms a collar around the post with the butt end protruding below the concrete.

SOLID BASE/STAND



If you plant the post on top of a concrete base at the bottom of the hole, ensure that the concrete sets before planting the post.

CUP



Do not enclose the planted end of the post in the concrete

Preservative treated timber that are correctly treated and applied will give you many years of satisfactory service which will be extended even further with proper maintenance.

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