

TRADE REVIEW

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Putting up fencing is a lot easier if you have the right kit. We test four products designed to take the effort out of this back-breaking task

ON A ROLL



Sometimes, the best solutions can be the most simple and that's exactly what we have here in the **Quickfencer** from John Brewer. Having either drilled out your fence post holes with an auger, or just banged them straight in with the Postpuncher, the next phase of the operation is to erect the actual fencing.

One of the hardest parts of the job at this stage is moving heavy rolls of wire to the site and achieving a consistent end result.

It wasn't until we tried putting up some sections of new fence without the Quickfencer that we realised just how useful this sturdy, British-made unit is. Unravelling and tensioning 100 metre-long rolls of wire fencing can create a considerable 'pull' – enough to pull a compact tractor sideways, in fact. So, to err on the safe side, John Brewer recommended we use a full-sized 100hp 4x4 'hoi' tractor for our test. Thanks to the co-operation of Massey Ferguson dealer Risborough Turf, we soon had the Quickfencer unit mounted onto a suitable 6460

model and were ready for work. Once the roll of wire is correctly threaded through, the action comes from driving the tractor forwards. To tension the length of wire, a steel pin is removed and the tractor is drawn slowly forwards until the correct tension is reached. Then, job done, the unit folds away into 'travel mode'. Simple and effective.

● The Quickfencer costs £1,100 and is available from John Brewer, Blackburn, Lancs (tel 07966 285240).

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FACTFILE

- The Quickfencer is designed to fit on a standard tractor four-point linkage
 - Doesn't require power to work. It operates by driving the tractor forwards
 - Will work with any full-sized tractor, but 4x4 helps stability on soft ground
- STRONG POINTS**
- Makes short work of unravelling and tensioning wire fencing. Will save hours
 - Helps even a 'rookie' to achieve impressive-looking straight fencing
 - Takes 3 x 100m rolls. Rugged construction. Will last a lifetime. Good value