



### ***Chain-Link Fence: An Old Favorite with a New Look***

(NAPS) - There's a new twist on chain-link fences. In addition to standard silver, chain-link fencing now comes in a variety of colors, including black, brown and green.

Chain-link fencing is also available in updated styles. For example, an estate fence is a new type of chain-link that is constructed with square posts, which are often decorated with balls, finials or port caps to personalize the fence. The fence can be further dressed up for gates.



If you're shopping for chain-link, an organization called the Chain-Link Fence Manufacturers Institute (CLFMI) recommends that you purchase fencing that meets or exceeds the standards of the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM).

Fences that meet the institute's standards are designed to be strong and safe.

The ASTM guidelines suggest three to five feet high chain-link fences should be constructed of the following:

- Fabric that is at least 11  $\frac{1}{2}$  gauge and 2" in mesh size with top rails that are 1-3/8" in diameter, 17 gauge and have .055" in wall thickness.
- Line posts should be 1 5/8" in diameter, 17 gauge and .055" in wall thickness.

Many people turn to chain-link to fence in a pool, protect children and pets or keep intruders at bay.

"Today's chain-link fences are strong, durable, attractive, and last a long time, many up to 20 years," said Bill Ullrich, CLFMI president.

New color-coated chain-link is formed when a layer of colored material is applied to a chain-link fence. Coatings are made of either colored vinyl or polymers and protect against ultraviolet light so colors won't fade.

For further information on this or any other residential fencing material, contact us at C&C Fence.