STRETCHING FENCE FABRIC

STEP 1

Temporarily insert a tension bar about 3 feet inside the unattached end of fabric. Securely fasten one end of the fence stretcher to the tension bar and the other end to the terminal post (Fig. 17). Stretch the fabric. The correct fabric tension should allow a slight amount of give when squeezed by hand. Remove the temporary tension bar.

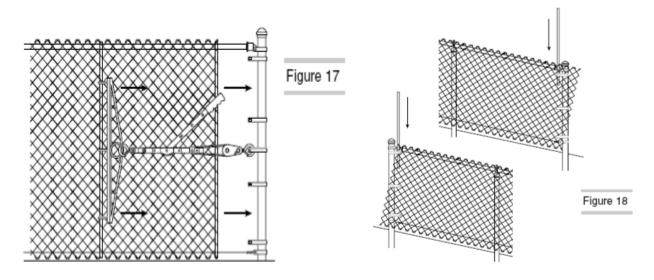
STEP 2

Adjust the fabric to exact length by adding or removing wire as shown in figures 15 and 16. Insert a tension bar at the end of the fabric and connect to tension bands on terminal post.

HILLSIDE STRETCH — BIAS CUTTING: (IF NECESSARY)

If the top of the chain-link fabric does not create a right angle to the terminal post, the fabric must be cut on a bias so that the tension bar can slide into the fabric at the proper angle. Pull the chain-link fabric until the top or bottom, whichever is shortest, reaches the terminal post. The other corner of the fabric will extend past the terminal post. Insert the tension bar at an angle through the fabric parallel to the terminal post (Fig. 18). Remove the excess

wire by cutting the strands that form the diamond at the tension bar leaving them long enough to bend over the bar. Do not cut every wire. The number of wires cut depends on the degree of slope and the height of the fence.



INSTALLING FENCE TIES

Fasten the fabric securely with fence ties spaced approximately 24" apart along the top rail and 12" apart on each line post (Fig 19). Finally, securely tighten nuts on all rail end bands and tension bands.

