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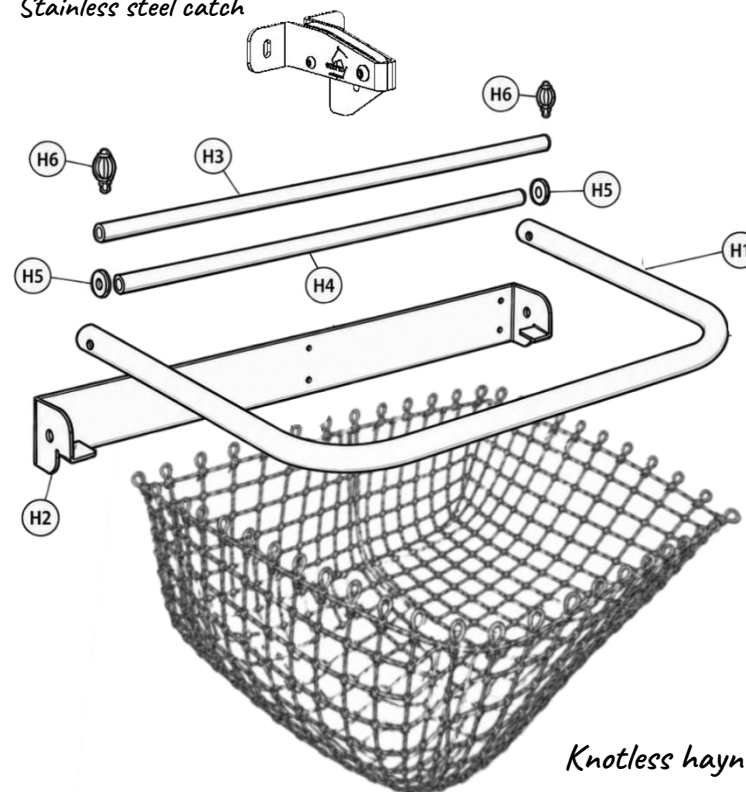
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ezehay components

Stainless steel catch



Knotless haynet

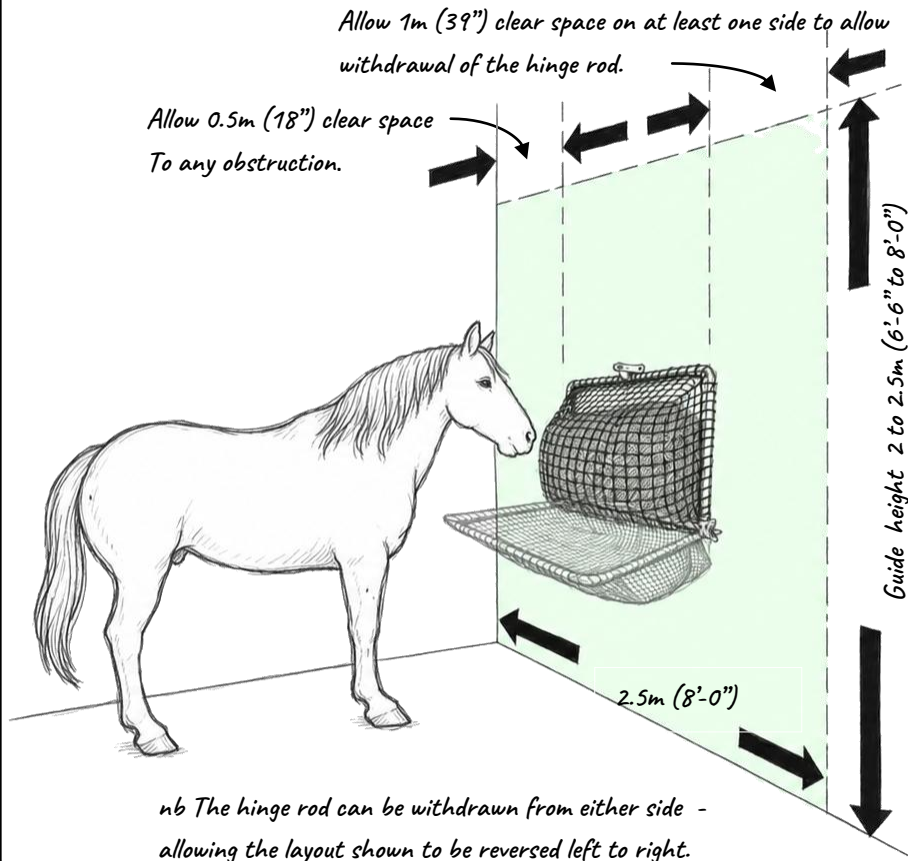
- H1 Net Hoop - 32mm dia x 2mm stainless steel.*
- H2 Hinge Plate - 4mm electro-galvanised steel.*
- H3 Hinge Bar - 16mm dia electro-galvanised steel.*
- H4 Spacer Tube - 25mm x 1.5mm plastic.*
- H5 Washer - 32mm x 3mm plastic*

Where to Install Your ezehay Feeder

Choose carefully where to mount your feeder. If you already use a hanging haynet, the most obvious location may be on the wall behind the net.

Take into account where your horse normally stands to feed, and ensure there are no opening doors, moving objects, or hanging items that could obstruct the area or disturb the horse while feeding

fig A - Positioning your ezehay



Try to find a section of wall that is relatively flat. You will need an area approximately **1 m²** and about **1 m (39 in)** above the ground. The wall should be structurally sound and capable of supporting secure fixings. Brick or blockwork is ideal.

Ensure there is sufficient space to withdraw the hinge bar sideways. You will need to remove the bar when fitting or changing the net. The hinge bar is reversible and can be removed from either the left- or right-hand side

Uneven or Flexible Walls

If your stable wall is uneven or constructed from wood, we recommend fixing a plywood backing board to the wall before mounting your ezehay feeder.

The plywood should be

- Exterior grade
- A minimum thickness of 15 mm
- Approximately 1 m × 1 m in size

When securely screwed or bolted to the wall, the plywood will provide a solid, flat surface for mounting your ezehay feeder.



Warning

Strong fixings are essential, a horse can exert considerable force on the feeder.

It is important that the ezehay hoop and catch are fixed securely to the wall.

If you are at all uncertain about the installation, please seek assistance from a suitably qualified person

Mounting Your ezehay Feeder

Preparation

Your ezehay feeder is usually supplied fully assembled. However, we recommend separating the hoop and net assembly from the hinge plate before installation, as this makes fixing the hinge plate to the wall much easier.

1. Place the ezehay on a flat surface. (fig B.)
2. Unclip the lynch pin from one end of the hinge bar and withdraw the bar completely.
3. Take care to leave the plastic tube inside the net and set the plastic washers aside.
4. The hoop and net assembly will now separate from the hinge plate.

Fixing the Hinge Plate to the Wall

1. Mark the wall at **1 m (39 in)** above floor level. (fig C.)

*The recommended mounting height of **1 m** is based on a **16 hh horse and a user of average height** and can be adjusted to suit individual requirements.*

*When choosing the height, consider both **your horse and your own comfort**. Do not mount the ezehay so high that you need to stretch when it is full of hay. You should be able to **comfortably reach and operate the catch with the net fully loaded**.*

Do not mount the ezehay so low that it could present a hazard to the horse, particularly if the horse strikes out with a foreleg.

2. Drill and loosely fix the hinge plate to the wall using one of the centre fixing holes.
3. Using a spirit level, level the hinge plate and mark the positions of the remaining fixing holes.

4. Drill the remaining holes and securely fix the plate to the wall.
5. Ensure the hinge plate is the correct way up before final tightening.

Use fixings that are suitable for your wall type. For many brick or blockwork installations, a large screw or coach bolt **4–6 mm in diameter and at least 50 mm long** will be suitable.

Fig. B - Separate the hoop & net from the back

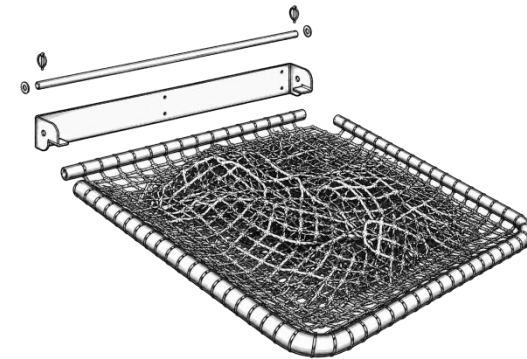
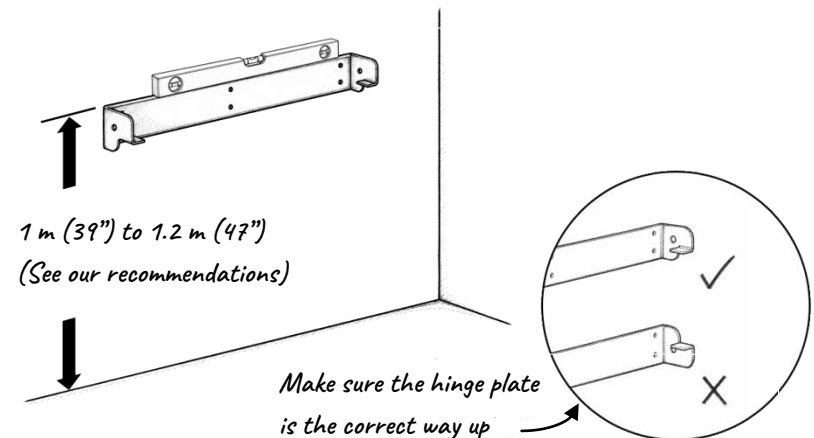


Fig. C - Fix the hinge plate to the wall



Our Advice

After fixing the hinge plate to the wall, do not install the catch until the hoop and net assembly have been reattached. Following the next step and positioning the hoop in its upright position will make it easier to correctly position and fit the catch.

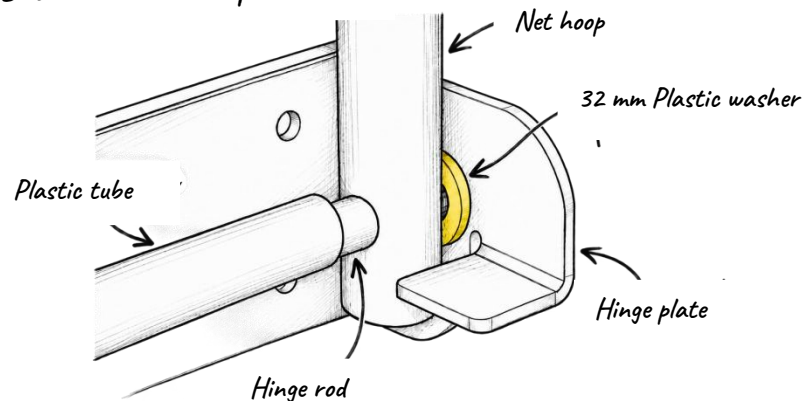
Mounting the Hoop and Net

Reassembling the ezehay feeder is best done by two people.

Keeping the plastic tube inside the net, position the hoop and net assembly against the hinge plate. Hold the hoop vertically and rest it temporarily on the hinge plate supports.

Insert the hinge rod through the hinge plate, the hoop and into the plastic tube. Take care to place a plastic washer between the hoop and the tube at both ends. Secure the rod with a lynch pin. see fig D

fig D Correct washer position



(the haynet is not shown for clarity)

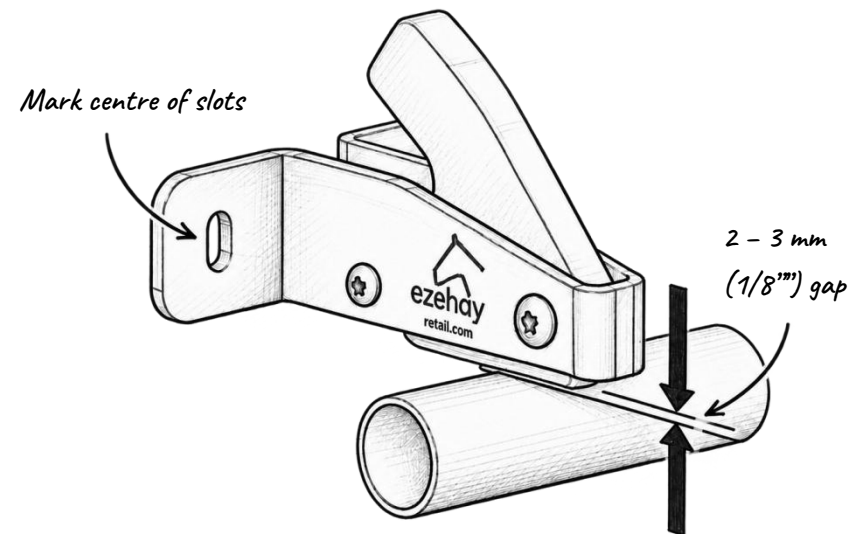
At this point, you should be able to fold the hoop down into the horizontal position so that it rests on the hinge plate supports.

Mounting the ezehay Wall Catch

Swing the entire hoop and net assembly up into the vertical position against the wall.

While holding the hoop vertically, position the catch just above the hoop. When the hoop pushes the catch's "nose" upward, there should be a gap of approximately 2–3 mm (1/8 inch) between the plastic catch and the hoop.

fig E - Mounting the catch



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Completing Your ezehay Feeder

Test your ezehay feeder by swinging the hoop upward into the catch. If the catch has been positioned correctly, the hoop should click into place and be held firmly in the upright position.

To release the hoop, grasp it firmly on either side of the catch and push the catch nose upward with your thumb. The hoop should then drop smoothly to the horizontal position for filling.

If necessary, the slots in the catch allow for some vertical adjustment.

Congratulations!

Your ezehay feeder is now assembled and ready for use

Maintenance

Your ezehay feeder requires very little maintenance. Simply keep the moving parts free from excessive debris and regularly check that all bolts and fixings remain secure. With these simple checks, your feeder should provide many years of trouble-free use.

As with all hay nets, your ezehay net may need replacing from time to time, depending on usage and your horse's feeding requirements. Replacement nets are available from ezehay.com

Damaged Nets

Damaged or holed nets should be repaired or replaced as soon as possible.

A horse can quickly enlarge a small hole and may learn to exploit it. Minor damage can be repaired using our repair kit



Safety Notice

- For **animal use only** – not designed for human use.
- Ensure installation is carried out by a competent person.
- Check the system **before each use** for loose fixings, wear, or damage.
- Never allow horses to play, climb, or lean excessively on the feeder.
- Do not allow a horse to be alone in the stable with the hoop down in the filling position.
- Do not allow children to play, swing on the feeder.
- Do not allow children to fill with hay, unless under the supervision of a competent adult.
- Do not use if any part is bent, cracked, or unstable.

Liability Notice

When installed and used according to these instructions, this product provides a safe system for feeding hay to horses.

Improper installation, modification, or misuse may cause injury or damage and is the responsibility of the user.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Design Protection

The ezehay feeder design is protected under UK & EU intellectual property law:

UK Patent Office Reg. Nos: 6403932, 6404113, 640114

EU Intellectual Property Office Reg. Nos: 15085351-0001, 15085351-0002, 15085351-0003

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ezehay Limited (United Kingdom) and SARL ezehay Europe (European Union), warrant the ezehay frame, hinge assembly, wall catch and other metal components against defects in materials and workmanship for 36 **months** from the original date of purchase.

This warranty applies only where the product has been installed and used in accordance with the Installation Instructions.

This warranty does not cover:

- Hay nets or other consumable components.
- Normal wear and tear.
- Damage resulting from misuse, incorrect installation, modification or accident.
- Damage caused by circumstances beyond our reasonable control.

If a valid claim is accepted, we will, at our discretion, repair or replace the defective component or product.

This manufacturer's warranty is provided in addition to, and does not affect, your statutory consumer rights under the laws applicable in the country where the product was purchased.

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