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Assembly Instructions for Model Number K91066



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Warning: Remove collars, tags, and leads from pet before placing it in the kennel to prevent possible entanglement. DO NOT leave young animals unsupervised for extended periods of time. MidWest's main concern is your pet's well-being. If your pet has never been kept in any enclosure, specific training may be necessary for your pet's safety. A pet, not specifically trained to be restricted, may attempt to escape from this enclosure, which could cause serious injury to your pet or damage to this product. MidWest will not accept liability or warrant any loss to improper use of this product by a pet that has not been properly trained.

Warranty Information

Unwrap and remove all parts from the box. Keep the box and packing material until the product is assembled. In case of return or exchange, failure to return product in similar condition as received could result in limited reimbursement. Please save sales receipt as proof of purchase for warranty purposes. Check to ensure you have all the parts below. If you discover any parts are missing, immediately call our toll-free service helpline at 1-800-428-8560 (Monday - Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. EST) or at info@midwesthomes4pets.com.

Helpful Hints

Please take time to read and follow these instructions. To make set-up easier, locate a level area to assemble your kennel. Remove all components from the carton and arrange them as shown on Page 2. You will need a pair of pliers and an adjustable wrench to assemble your kennel. We recommend two people assemble the kennel together.

The chain-link fence comes in one continuous 32' piece. It is prone to tangle while attaching, but with two people and a little patience, the fence can be applied with minimal complication. The best practice is to unroll the fence and stretch it out completely to undo any tangling. Then, using two people, lift, pull, and stretch the chain-link fence around the perimeter one small section at a time.

Sunscreen Safety

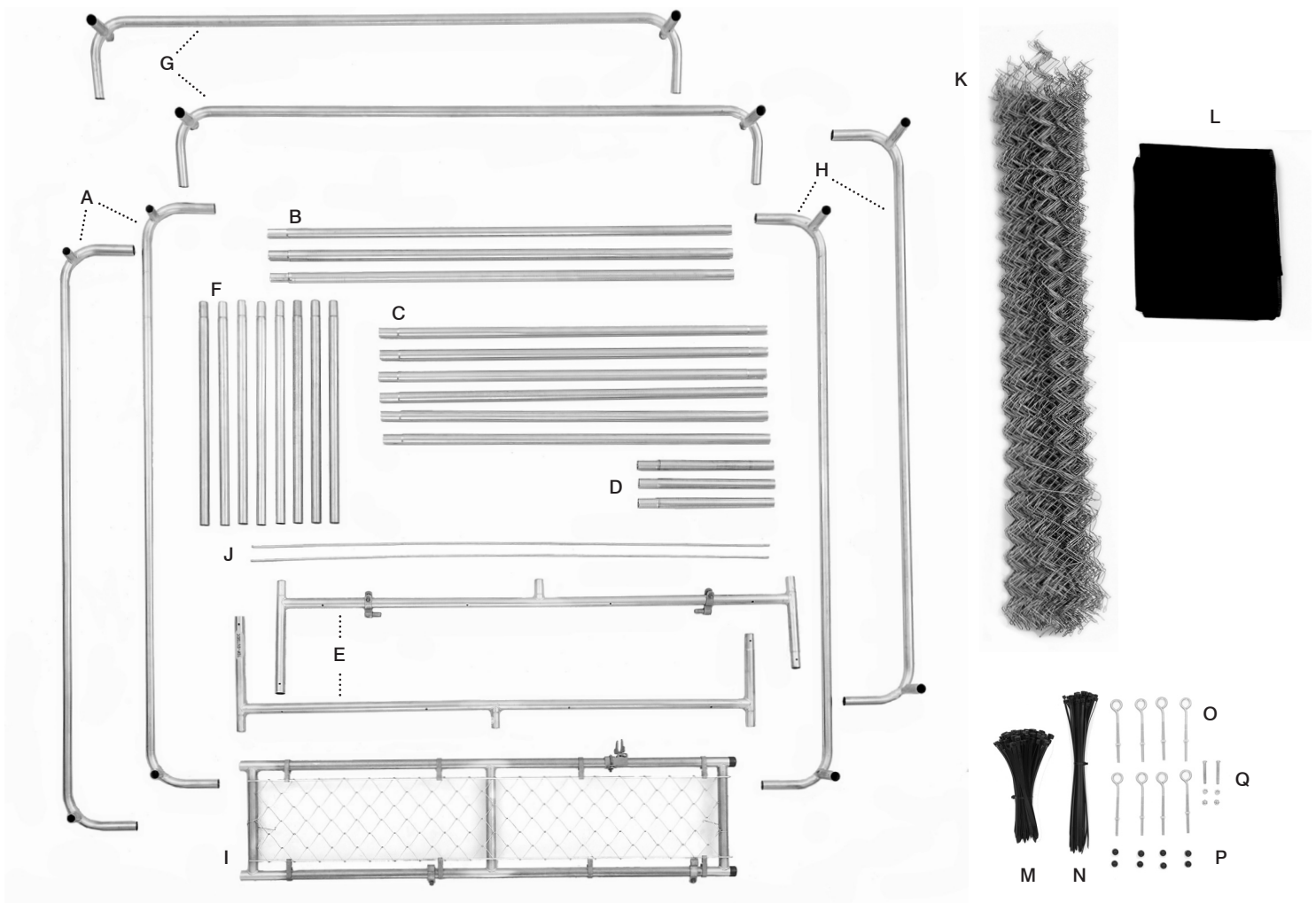
Your K9 Kennel comes with a Sunscreen. We suggest removing and storing the Sunscreen when not needed to shade your pet. Do not allow snow or debris to collect on top of the Sunscreen. Occasionally, even rain will collect. Remove it as soon as possible. Injury to your pet and damage to your Kennel may occur if the load is not removed. Properly cared for, your Sunscreen will provide years of service and protection for your pet.

PARTS IDENTIFICATION

- A. Bottom U-Shaped Rail with short corner peg (2)
- B. Long Filler Rail - swaged on one end (3)
- C. Medium Filler Rail - Long - three rails have one swaged end; three rails have two swaged ends (6)
- D. Short Filler Rail - swaged on one end (3)
- E. Gate Frame - two pieces
- F. Vertical Corner Posts - swaged on one end (8)
- G. Middle U-Shaped Rail with one long and one short corner peg (2)
- H. Top U-Shaped Rail with one long corner peg (2)
- I. Gate Door (1)
- J. Vertical Tension Rod - 5/16th Diameter (2)
- K. Chain-Link Fence (1)
- L. Sunscreen Top (1)
- M. Short Plastic Ties (70)
- N. Long Plastic Ties (24)
- O. Scored Eyebolt with Nut (8)
- P. Black Plastic Cap (8)
- Q. Small Bolt, Nut, and Acorn Nut (2 each)

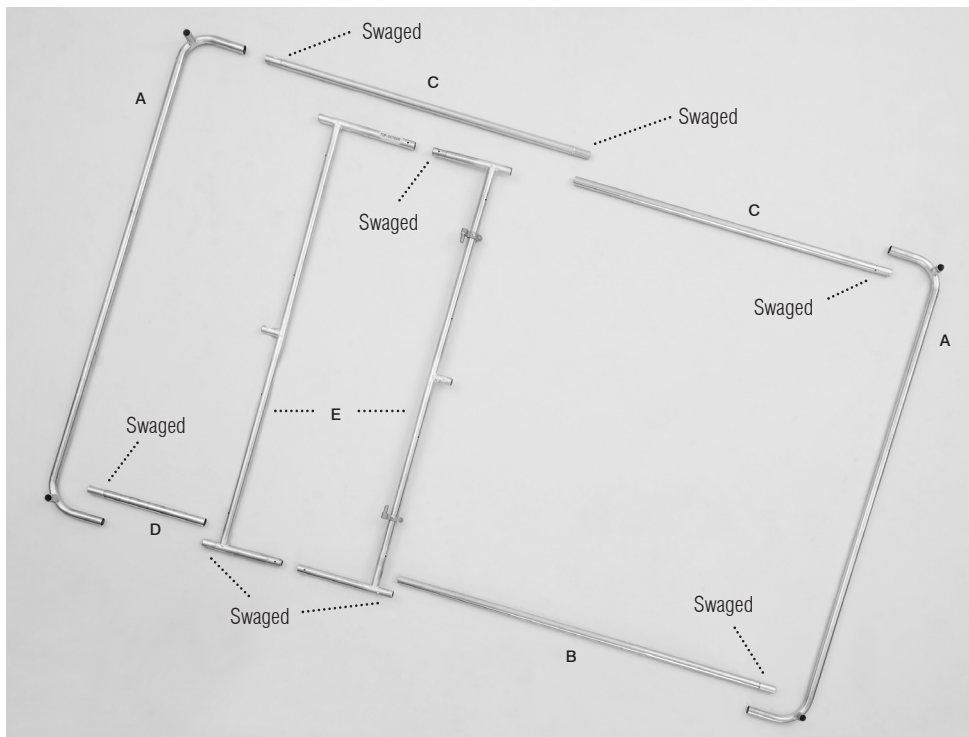
Swaged End - Reduced, Smaller Diameter

The Vertical Corner Posts (F), Long Filler Rails (B), Short Filler Rails (D), and three of the Medium Filler Rails (C) have one swaged end. Three Medium Filler Rails (C) are swaged on both ends.

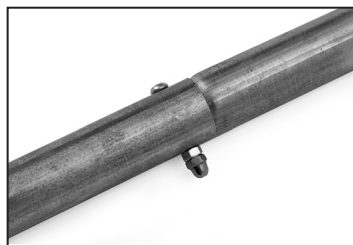
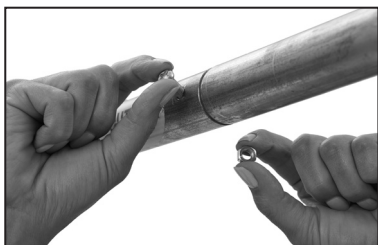


ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

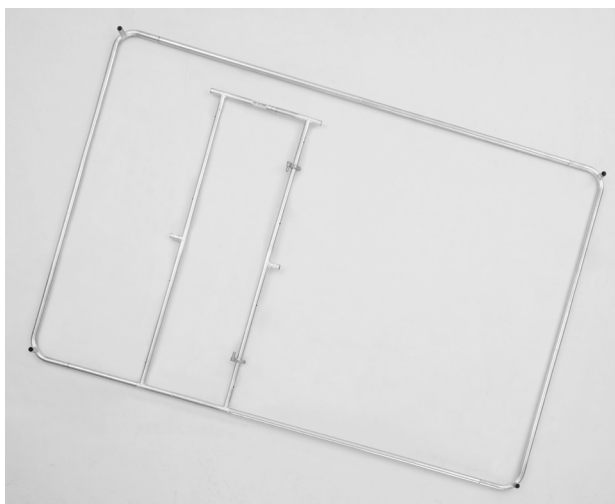
1. Place the Bottom U-Shaped Rails (A) on the sides as shown. The small pegs on the Bottom U-Shaped Rails must point up. In the front, place a Short Filler Rail (D), Long Filler Rail (B), and the two sections of the Gate Frame (E) on the ground as shown. Place two Medium Filler Rails (C) in the back. **Note the placement of the swaged ends on each rail.**



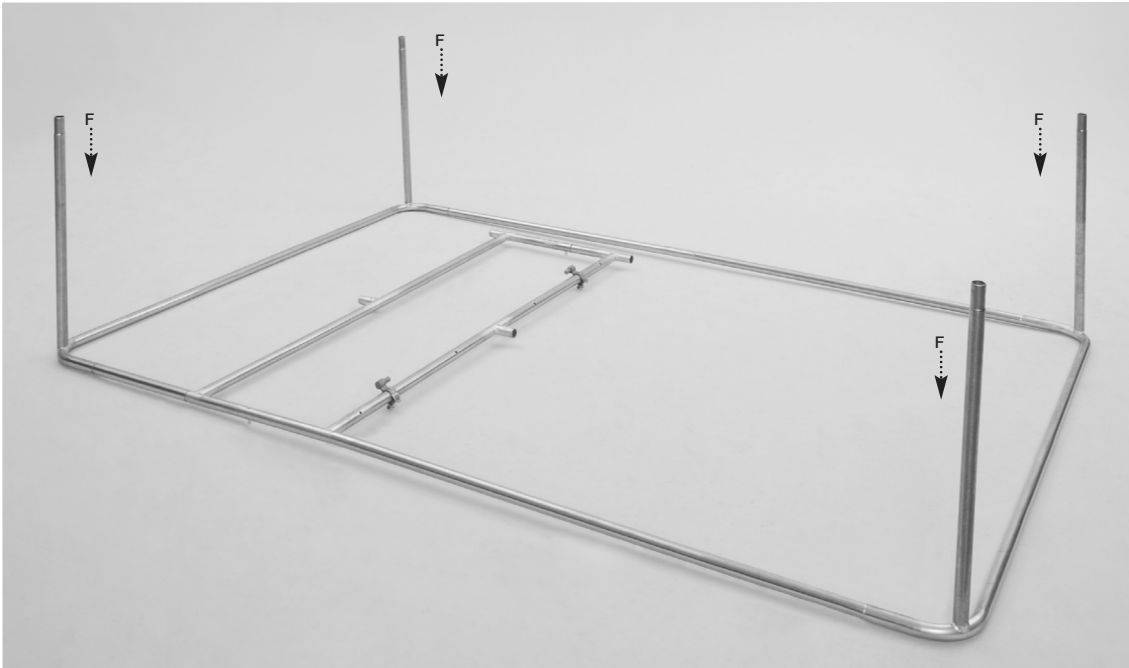
2. Connect the two sides of the Gate Frame. Using a Small Bolt, Nut, and Acorn Nut (Q), secure the two sections together at the top and the bottom of the frame.



3. Push the swaged ends of each rail into the non-swaged ends of each adjacent rail, making sure all pieces are pushed in completely and put together firmly.



4. On each corner, push the non-swaged end of a Vertical Corner Post (F) onto the short corner peg of each Bottom U-Shaped Rail.



5. To assemble the middle rail, start at the corner closest to the Gate Frame. Swing the Gate Frame into the upright position. Use a Short Filler Rail (D) to connect the Gate Frame to a Middle U-Shaped Rail (G). Secure the long pegs of the Middle U-Shaped Rail on the Vertical Corner Posts in the front and back.



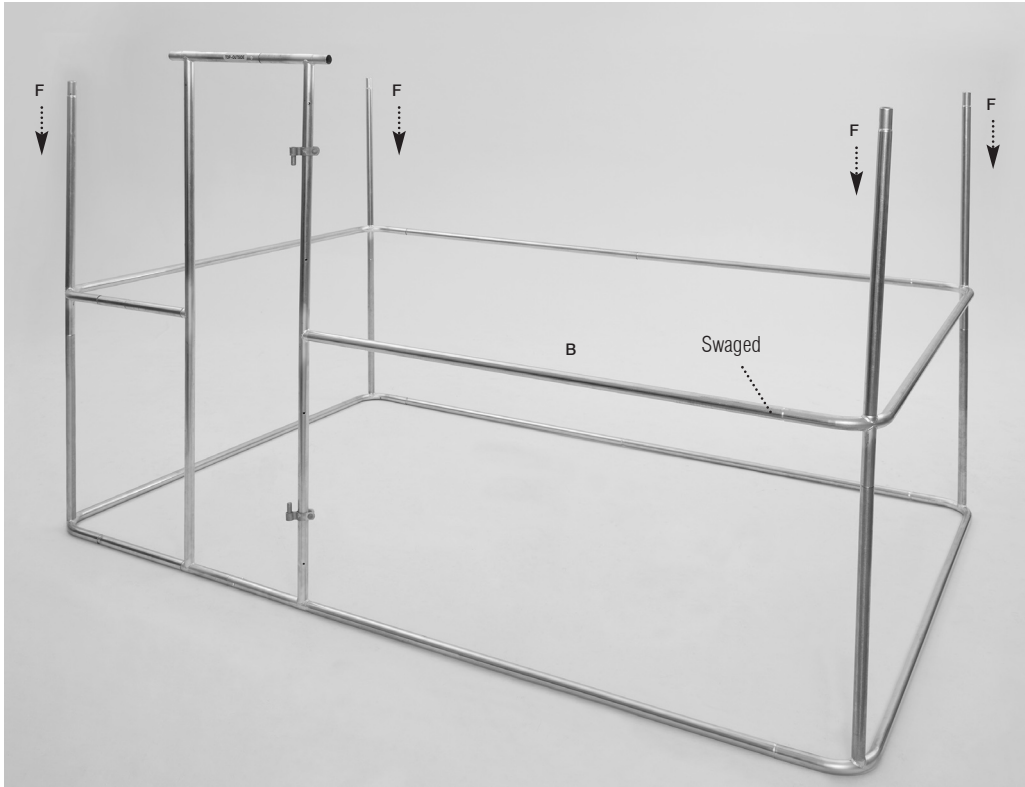
6. Moving to the back, attach a Medium Filler Rail (C) with two swaged ends to the Middle U-Shaped Rail.



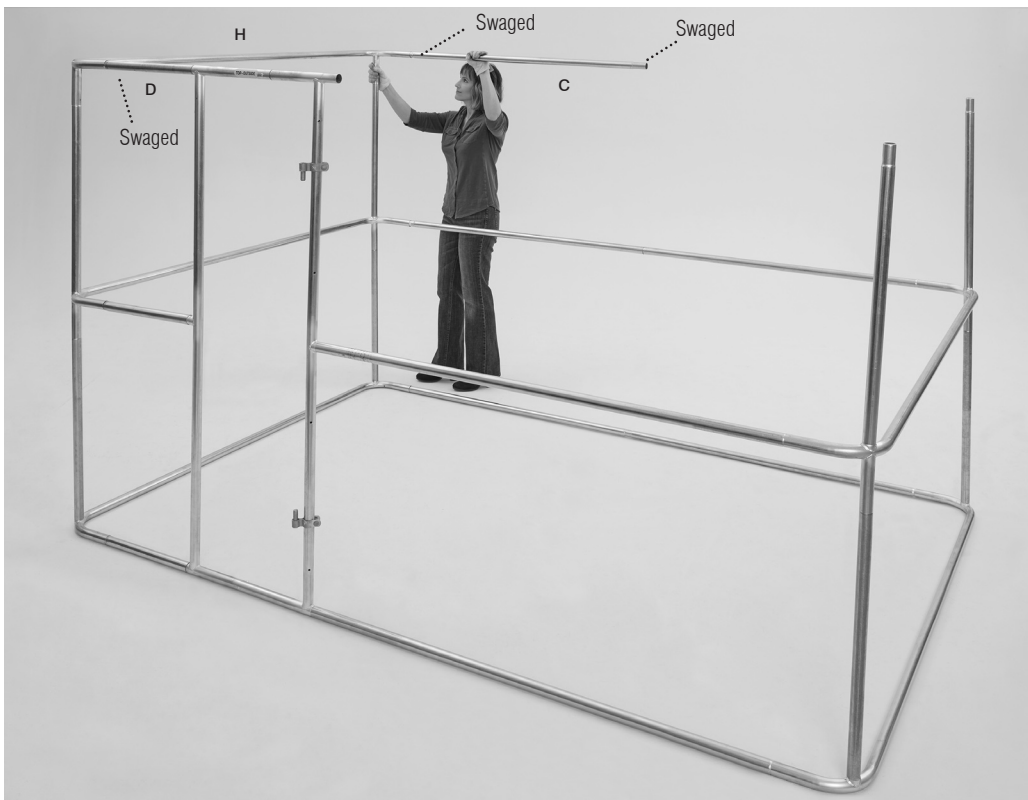
7. Place the second Middle U-Shaped Rail (G) on the other set of Vertical Corner Posts. Use a Medium Filler Rail (C) with one swaged end to connect the U-Shaped Rail to the Filler Rail from Step 6.



8. Complete the middle rail by using a Long Filler Rail (B) to connect the U-Shaped Rail to the Gate Frame. Then, push the non-swaged end of a Vertical Corner Post (F) onto the short corner peg of each Middle U-Shaped Rail.



9. To assemble the top rail, start at the corner closest to the Gate Frame. Use a Short Filler Rail (D) to connect the Gate Frame to a Top U-Shaped Rail (H). Secure the long pegs of the Top U-Shaped Rail on the Vertical Corner Posts in the front and back. Moving to the back, attach a Medium Filler Rail (C) with two swaged ends to the Top U-Shaped Rail.



- 10.** Place the second Top U-Shaped Rail (G) on the other set of Vertical Corner Posts. Use a Medium Filler Rail (C) with one swaged end to connect the U-Shaped Rail to the Filler Rail from Step 9.



- 11.** Moving to the front, use a Long Filler Rail (B) to connect the right side of the Gate Frame to the Top U-Shaped Rail.



- 12.** Install the Gate Door (I) in the Gate Frame (E). The hinge pins are fixed on the Gate Frame and do not adjust. The hinge knuckles, on the Door, will be loose until you tighten them.

Begin by aligning the bottom pin and the bottom knuckle. Adjust the bottom knuckle as needed, making sure that when the door swings, the bottom of the door will clear the bottom rail on the ground and the top of the door will clear the top rail. Slide the knuckle over the pin and loosely tighten the knuckle, as you might need to adjust slightly after step 13.

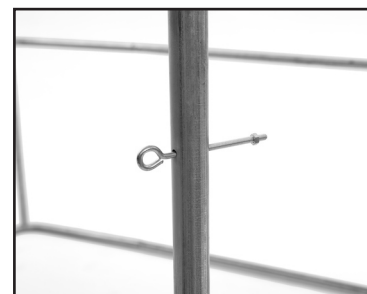


- 13.** Align the top knuckle with the top pin on the door. Adjust the top knuckle as needed, making sure that when the door swings, the bottom of the door will clear the bottom rail on the ground and that the top of the door will clear the top rail. Slide the knuckle over the pin and loosely tighten the knuckle. Check once more to ensure the knuckle placement will allow the door to swing within the opening. Then, use a wrench or socket wrench to tighten the bolts on the door's knuckles.

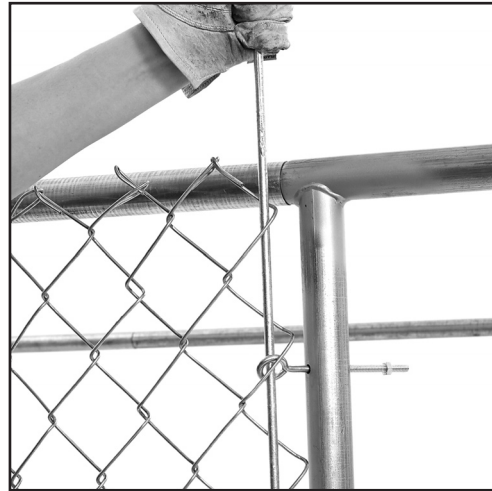


NOTE: At this point, you will begin attaching the chain-link fence. The chain-link fence comes in one continuous 32' piece rolled in plastic to help prevent tangling and bunching. While attaching, remove the plastic as you go. With two people and a little patience, the fence can be applied with minimal complication. The best practice is to unroll the fence and stretch it out completely to undo any tangling. Then, using two people, lift, pull, and stretch the chain-link fence around the perimeter one small section at a time. About every four feet, loosely attach a Long Plastic Tie to keep the chain-link in place until it is ready to be fully secured.

- 14.** With the Gate door open, insert the Eyebolts (O), with the eye to the outside of the kennel, through the eight holes in the Gate's frame (four on each side). Start the Nuts onto the end of the bolts about 1/2" as shown. **WAIT to tighten all the way.**



15. Next, stand one end of the Chain-Link Fence (K) up against the left side of the Gate frame. Starting at the top, thread the Vertical Tension Rod (J) down through the Chain-Link Fence, front/back, front/back, through each diamond, while making sure to pass through the eye of each Eyebolt on the way down. Thread the rod all the way through the last diamond at the bottom.



16. Unroll the Chain-link Fence around the frame of the kennel, being sure to keep tension on the wire by pulling the roll as you unwind it. Occasionally, it may be necessary to untangle the knuckles at the top and bottom of the roll. Keeping the tension on the roll tight will help prevent this.

NOTE: As noted on page 8, with two people the fence can be fully unrolled, stretched out in its entirety, and lifted, pulled, and stretched around the perimeter one small section at a time. This will minimize bunching and tangling of the fence during application.



17. About every four feet, loosely attach a Short Plastic Tie (M) at the top to keep the chain-link in place until it is ready to be fully secured.



- 18.** After you have unrolled the Chain-Link Fence completely around the frame, you may find that you have several extra inches of wire that extend past the last set of Eyebolts. This excess must be removed. Pull the Chain-Link Fence tightly past the Eyebolts to determine where to remove the extra fencing so that the second Tension Rod can be installed as in Step 15.

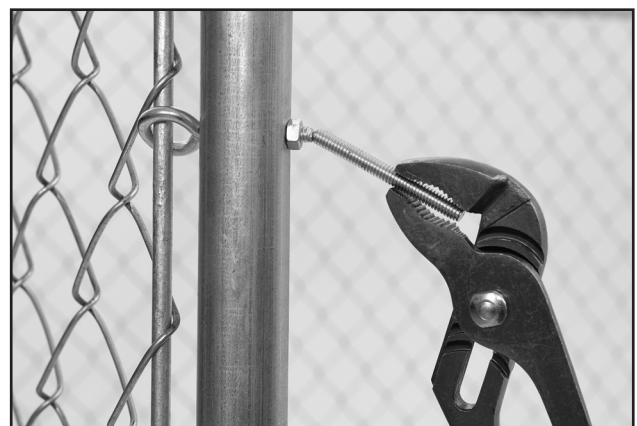
To determine how much Chain-Link Fence to remove, slide the second Vertical Tension Rod down through the Chain-Link Fence so it will pass through the eye of the first Eyebolt. It is the extra Chain-Link Fence on the Gate side of the Tension Rod that must be removed. Locate and note the top knuckle of the fence on the Gate side of the Tension Rod. Remove the Tension Rod.

- 19.** Unbend the loop of the knuckle you identified so that it is straight. Locate the corresponding knuckle at the bottom of the Chain-Link Fence. Unbend that loop. This single “picket” can now be removed. Lift and rotate the picket until it is completely removed from the fencing.



- 20.** Once all excess fencing has been removed, insert the second Tension Rod down through the Chain-link Fence and the Eyebolts on the other side of the gate, as you did in Step 15.

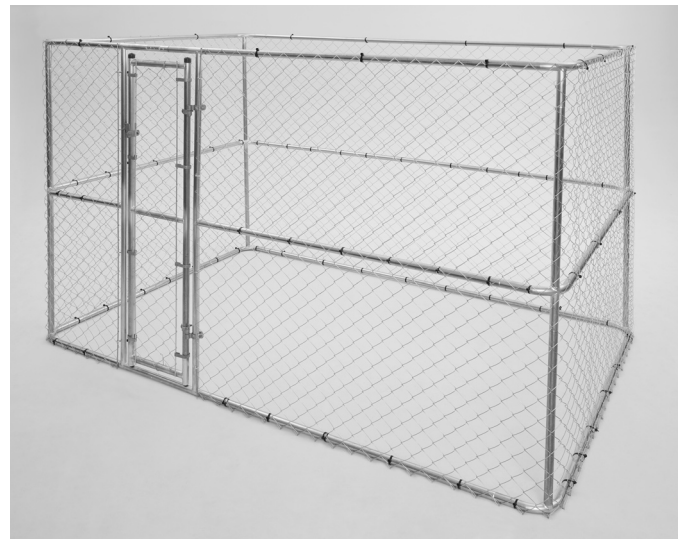
- 21.** Facing the Kennel, go to the top, left Eyebolt. Push the “eye” firmly against the Gate Frame. Tighten the Nut past the scored area of the bolt’s threads. Move down to the next Eyebolt and repeat. Pulling the Tension Rod against the Gate Frame as you go, proceed around the Gate Frame until all eight Eyebolts have been tightened. This step will tighten the fit of the Chain-Link Fence around the frame.



22. Use pliers to grip the exposed threads and snap off the excess at the scored area of the bolt. Finish each nut with a Plastic Cap (P).



23. Starting at the Gate Frame, install Short Plastic Ties (M) every two feet, securing the Chain-Link Fence to the Top Rail of the Kennel. Do the same with the Middle and Bottom Rails, installing the ties with closer spacing, approximately every 12 inches.



Sunscreen Installation

Unfold the Sunscreen (L) and, using the Long Plastic Ties (N), loosely attach it to the Top Rail of the Kennel at each corner. **DO NOT PULL THEM TIGHT!**

After the corners have been attached, loosely affix a Long Plastic Tie at each grommet on the Sunscreen around the perimeter. Starting at one corner, pull the tie a bit tighter. Work your way around to each corner, pulling the ties tighter and tighter until they are all snug. Now work your way around the kennel, pulling the remaining ties up as you go.



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2. THIS WARRANTY DOES NOT COVER defects in the kennel caused by any animal, any physical abuse to or misuse of the kennel, any damage caused by the original purchaser or any third party, or any defects arising or discovered more than one (1) year from the original retail purchase date.
3. STEPS TO OBTAIN WARRANTY SERVICE:
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 - B. The customer service representative will determine if the defect is covered by this warranty, and if it is, will authorize and instruct the purchaser in how to obtain corrective action.
 - C. MIDWEST may require the purchaser to present the sales receipt or other proof of purchase prior to authorizing any return or replacement. No returns or replacements will be permitted without proper authorization. If a return or replacement is authorized, you may be requested to return the item to MIDWEST or to make the item available for pick-up by MIDWEST.
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