

# Tony's Fencing & Iron Works Shares Guidance on Choosing Fences for Pets and Livestock

*Property owners in Louisiana face different fencing needs for pets, livestock, and poultry. This outlines key safety, spacing, and durability considerations.*

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EINPresswire.com/ -- Choosing the right fence for animals is one of the most important decisions property owners make, yet it is often approached with a one-size-fits-all mindset. According to Tony's Fencing & Iron Works, fencing solutions for pets, livestock, and poultry should be planned around animal behavior, spacing, durability, and long-term use—particularly on rural and suburban properties across Southeast Louisiana.



Proper fencing helps protect pets, livestock, and poultry while supporting long-term safety and durability on Louisiana properties.

Animal-specific fencing plays a critical role in safety, containment, and property functionality. A fence that works well for a household dog may be ineffective or unsafe for livestock or poultry.

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Choosing the right fence depends on how animals behave, how land is used, and how Louisiana's climate affects durability over time.”

*Tony Ostrowski*

Understanding how different animals interact with fencing systems helps prevent escapes, injuries, and costly repairs over time.

“Animals place very different demands on fencing,” said a representative from Tony's Fencing & Iron Works. “Planning a fence around how animals move, push, dig, or test boundaries makes a major difference in how well that fence performs year after year.”

For many homeowners, dogs are the primary reason for installing a fence. However, pet fencing requires more consideration than simply enclosing a yard. Dog size, strength, and energy level all influence the height, spacing, and durability required.

Larger or more active dogs may attempt to jump or push against fence lines, requiring sufficient height and sturdy construction. Smaller dogs often present a different challenge, as they can slip through wide spacing or dig beneath fence lines if ground clearance is not properly addressed. In both cases, consistency along the entire fence line is essential to prevent weak points.

Gate placement is also a key factor in pet safety. Gates that are poorly placed or inadequately secured are among the most common escape points. Proper layout planning ensures gates align with daily use patterns while maintaining secure access throughout the property.

Tony's Fencing & Iron Works designs [residential fencing solutions](#) that balance pet safety, visibility, and everyday functionality. Additional information about residential fencing services is available at <https://tonysfencingandiron.com>

### Livestock Fencing Requires Strength and Strategic Layout

Livestock fencing presents a very different set of requirements. Animals such as cows, goats, sheep, and horses place constant physical stress on fence lines by leaning, rubbing, and testing boundaries. These behaviors demand fencing systems designed for strength, proper spacing, and long-term durability.

Fence posts must be properly set to handle ongoing pressure, and spacing must prevent animals from pushing through or becoming entangled. Height is also important, particularly for animals that may attempt to step over or lean heavily on fence lines.

Equally important is layout. Livestock fencing should follow natural terrain, account for water access, and avoid erosion-prone areas. Improper layout can lead to sagging sections, broken lines, and increased maintenance, especially in Louisiana's wet soil conditions.

Tony's Fencing & Iron Works provides [farm and livestock fencing solutions](#), including perimeter fencing, pasture fencing, corral fencing, and enclosures designed for long-term agricultural use.

### Poultry Fencing Focuses on Protection and Spacing

Poultry fencing requires a more protective approach than other types of animal fencing. Chickens, ducks, and other poultry are vulnerable not only to escaping but also to predators. Fence spacing must be small enough to prevent birds from slipping through while discouraging predators from reaching inside.

Ground-level protection is especially important, as many predators dig beneath fence lines. In Southeast Louisiana, fencing must also account for moisture and shifting soil, which can create gaps over time if posts are not properly set.

Durability and drainage planning are critical for poultry enclosures. A well-planned fence helps protect flocks while keeping maintenance manageable in Louisiana's climate.

Guidance on agricultural land use and animal safety is available through the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry at <https://www.ldaf.state.la.us>, which provides resources for livestock and poultry owners across the state.

## Climate and Durability Considerations in Louisiana

Louisiana's climate adds an additional layer of complexity to animal fencing decisions. Heavy rainfall, soft soil, and seasonal flooding can affect fence stability if layouts do not accommodate drainage or if posts are not installed correctly.

Animal fencing must be designed to remain secure as ground conditions change. Proper planning helps maintain spacing, prevents leaning posts, and extends the lifespan of the fence.

## Serving Both Residential and Agricultural Properties

Many properties in St. Tammany Parish combine residential and agricultural needs. Homeowners may require secure fencing for pets near the house and stronger fencing for livestock or poultry farther out on the property. Coordinating these systems ensures animals are protected while maintaining usability and visual consistency across the land.

## Frequently Asked Questions About Animal Fencing

Can one fence work for pets, livestock, and poultry?

In most cases, different fencing solutions are needed for different animals. Residential fencing near the home and farm fencing in pasture areas often work best together.

Why is spacing so important in animal fencing?

Improper spacing can allow animals to escape, become injured, or attract predators. Spacing should be based on the smallest or most vulnerable animal.

Does livestock fencing require deeper posts?

Yes. Livestock fencing often requires deeper and stronger posts to withstand constant pressure and Louisiana's soft soil conditions.

How does Louisiana's climate affect animal fencing?

Heavy rainfall and shifting soil can cause posts to move and gaps to form. Proper layout and

installation help fences remain secure over time.

Who should plan an animal fencing project?

Experienced fencing professionals can evaluate animal needs, property layout, and local conditions to design a safe and durable solution.

About Tony's Fencing & Iron Works

Tony's Fencing & Iron Works has proudly served St. Tammany Parish and Southeast Louisiana for more than 30 years. The company specializes in residential fencing, farm and livestock fencing, [custom ornamental iron work](#), automatic and manual gates, and ADA-compliant exterior handrails.

Known for quality craftsmanship and practical design, Tony's Fencing & Iron Works helps homeowners and property owners plan fencing systems that protect animals, fit the land, and stand up to Louisiana's demanding climate.

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