

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION**

USE EXCLUSION

1. Scope

The work consists of excluding animals, people, or vehicles from an area to maintain and/or improve its natural resources and/or to minimize human health, liability, and safety concerns. This specification (including references made within to other Conservation Practice Standards/Construction Specifications) will be used to carry out this practice. Practice application will be documented on the appropriate fencing job sheet, Tree/Shrub Planting Plan (Form KS-ECS-5), and in the conservation plan.

2. Exclusion Methods

Exclusion shall be by one or more of the following methods:

- Fencing with wire, wood, stone, or other materials. For specifications on fence construction, refer to Conservation Practice Standard and Construction Specification 382, Fencing.
- Living fences of trees or shrubs. Refer to Conservation Practice Standard and Construction Specification 422, Hedgerow Planting.
- Barriers impassable to livestock, such as cliffs.
- Arrangement of fields so that livestock will be excluded. Example: Unfenced woodland adjoining cropland or a highway.
- Electric fences that are maintained so as to provide permanent exclusion to the area being protected.