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How to choose the right fencing for hospitals and healthcare facilities

Hospitals and other healthcare institutions are critical infrastructure where security and safety must be carefully balanced. Despite the extremely sensitive nature of these sites, crime is unfortunately frequent as criminals believe them to be 'soft targets'. Noise reduction, hazardous waste storage, access control, and aesthetics are all factors involved in the specifying of security solutions for healthcare facilities.



Create a quiet environment for recovery

Noise pollution is detrimental to health, so it's crucial that it's controlled in areas of rest and recovery, but also for neighbouring properties. Hospitals have the potential to create noise 24/7, so this is particularly important in residential areas. Timber acoustic barriers have a gentle appearance, provide privacy, and reduce noise by up to 32dB. They can be used around air-conditioning units, generators, machinery, delivery and servicing areas and car parks to mitigate sound.



More speed, less haste

It's extremely important that access control solutions are safe and don't fail during times where rapid access is essential. Automated gates are classed as machinery and can cause serious injuries or even be fatal. We installed a number of automated bi-folding speed gates for London Ambulance Service stations, all CE marked and conforming to the latest safety regulations.



Secure, private, safe

Certain areas of healthcare facilities need increased privacy. Timber fencing provides a pleasant aesthetic and where security is also needed such as for the storage of hazardous waste, timber and steel combination fencing such as EuroGuard® Combi provides an ideal solution.



Consult professionals

Hospitals and healthcare facility buildings and operations can be stressful places to manage without thinking about the grounds. Talk to our team of experts so we can help you share the load of ensuring the external environment is safe and secure.



Consider design aesthetics as well as performance

Naturally your fencing, gate and access control solutions should deter and delay access unauthorised access to the site after hours or to restricted areas for 24-hour sites like hospitals, but they also need to blend into their surroundings and neighbourhood and help in fostering an environment conducive to recovery and reducing stress for staff, patients and visitors.



Guaranteed to succeed

Fencing that fails after just a few years or becomes unsafe can not only cause further injuries but paints a bad picture of the care offered inside - particularly important for private health care facilities. A long guarantee will reduce the number of costly and time consuming replacements and free up budget for other areas. It is important to compare guarantees and work out the lifetime cost of the product.



Healthy Security Solutions

With a wide range of products available, there's no 'one size fits all' solution when it comes to choosing fencing for a healthcare facility. Our experts at Jacksons Fencing will find you a solution that meets your safety and security needs, looks good, and lasts at least 25 years - the minimum basics you should expect from your fencing and gates. Speak to our team today.

Bi-Folding Speed Gates, Bromley Ambulance Station



Venetian Hit and Miss, Stoke Mandeville Spinal Unit



EuroGuard® Combi, Britwell Clinic, Slough



Top tip #1

- Fit for purpose
- Materials, fixings, and fittings
- Maintenance requirements
- Sustainability
- Image projection
- The impact on wildlife



Top tip #2

Installing automated gates or barriers? Ensure you hire registered professionals. Be sure to schedule regular servicing and maintenance to ensure gates operate safely and efficiently to avoid dangers and delays.



Top tip #3

Try to avoid the use of security toppings and spikes in highly public areas to avoid creating a hostile environment. Opt for taller or fencing with an anti-climb design or built in features instead.

All of Jacksons' timber and steel fencing and gates are covered by our 25 year guarantee

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Example Hospital Layout

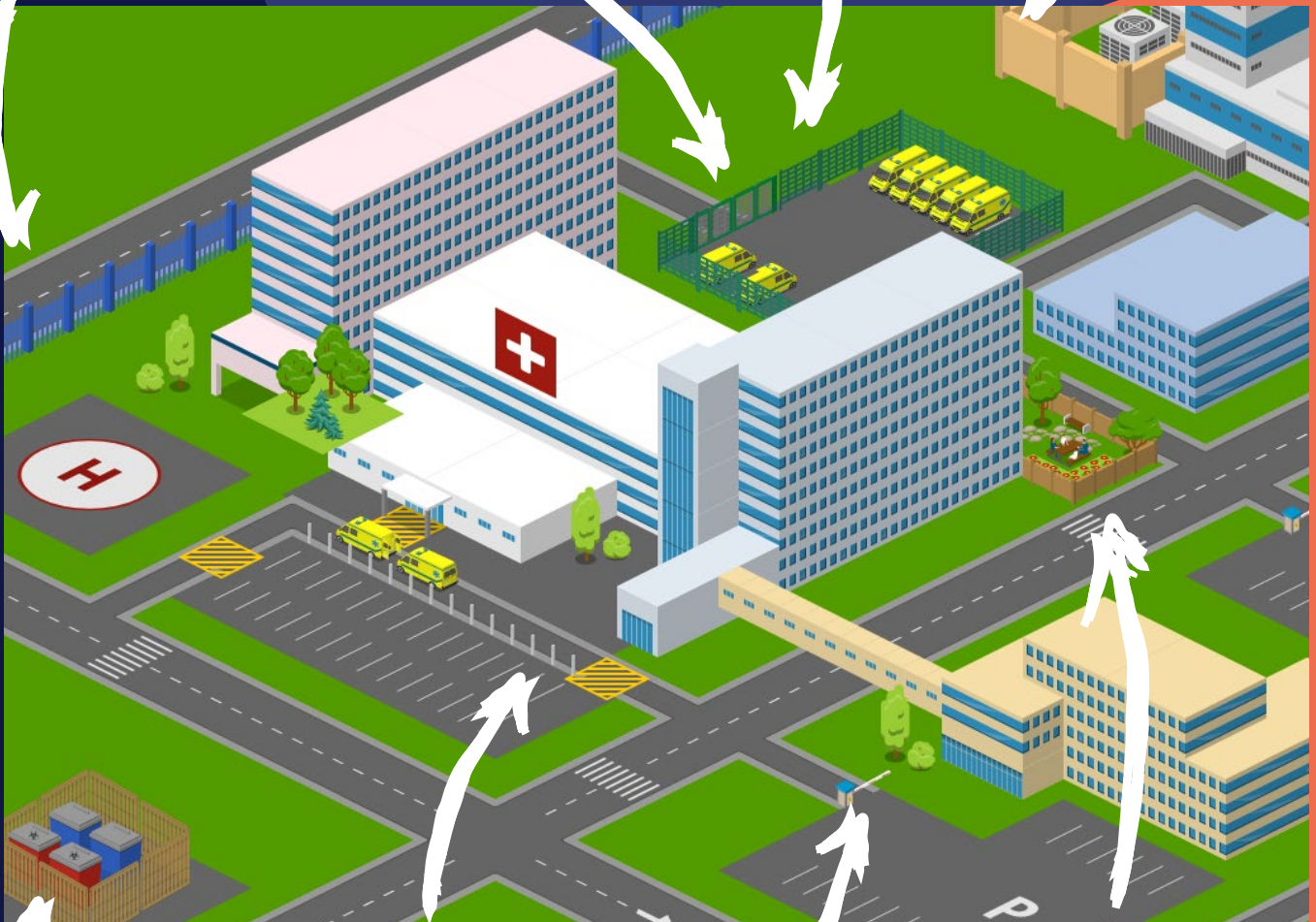
Below are some commonly used fencing and gate solutions around hospitals. Ambulance stations need increased protection from security fencing and gates as seen in the image, to protect vehicles from theft and vandalism.

Vertical bar fencing creates a boundary fence

Bi-Folding Speed Gate for rapid access

Mesh fencing with tamper proof fixings prevents vandalism

Acoustic Barriers reduce noise around fans and air conditioning units while keeping them secure



Bollards segregate vehicles and pedestrians

EuroGuard® Combi safely secures waste and keeps it out of sight

Traffic barriers enable paid access control for visitors and access only for staff

Timber fence panels create secure and tranquil recovery garden



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