

Re: Another Electric fence question

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rjmacres@xxxxxxxx wrote:

Due to major problems with packs of wild dogs, we're going to have to turn on the electric fence around all our pastures. The bottom hot wire is about 3-4 inches off the ground. Not sure what charger I will use yet but it will probably be pushing 10,000 volts.

What's going to happen when one of our chickens or ducks hits that bottom hot wire ?
Is it going to kill it ?

That worries me. I've been thinking of changing the fencing around the house, etc to field fencing with a hot wire around just the top just so the birds don't get zapped.

But the outside fencing has got to be electric. And HOT.

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Wm.Koehler's method of curing a dog of killing chickens was to pen up the dog with a chicken, the chicken on a cardboard box floor so as to insulate him, and tie the chicken to a stake so he'll stay on the cardboard, and charge him up with a fence charger.

The dog (and the chicken) get a hefty shock when the dog touches the chicken.

Soon the dog wants absolutely nothing to do with chickens. He detests the thought of chickens. He gets a whole day there to think about that.

The point here though is that the chicken apparently does not die from the shock.

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My own dog takes direction and leaves the chickens alone without that. Today you'd use a radio shock collar rather than the 50s setup Koehler was forced into. The only problem with radio collars is that they're too easy to use, and people become thoughtless about it, about how they use them.

They don't teach the dog what to do; they only teach the dog that he has to do what he knows very well he has to do already. There's a lot of training that has to come before it, usually.

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