The Corral Trap

16-foot x 5-foot sections of 4-gauge welded wire livestock panels with 4-inch x 4-inch or 2-inch x 4-inch mesh spacing

- Overlap the livestock panel ends 1 foot; fasten the adjoining ends using four cable clamps or nylon cable ties (See example in Box A).
- A 3-panel trap requires a minimum of 9 steel T-posts (Box B): (a) 1 on each side of the trap door (total 2), (b) 1 at each section where 16-foot panel ends overlap (total 2), (c) midway of each 16-foot panel (total 3), and (d) 3 to 3½ feet on each side of the door (total 2).
- Attach wire panels to T-posts using ⁵/₁₆-inch × 1 ½-inch U-bolts and use 2 U-bolts per T-post; 1 near top of panel and 1 at 16 to 20 inches from the bottom (See example in Box C). Use 4 evenly spaced U-bolts on each side of the door to fasten wire panel ends to door posts. Securely fasten the door to the posts with 12-gauge to 14-gauge wire.

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A. ⁵/₁₆-inch cable clamps or Nylon cable ties
Spaced alternately every 16 to 20 inches down seam of overlapped panels

B. 6 ½-foot steel T-posts

C. U-Bolts
⁵/₁₆ inches × 1 ½ inches or ⁵/₁₆ inches × 2 ½ inches

* If using nylon cable ties, use 3 U-bolts per post to fasten panels to the T-posts.