



#### 5" Round Flange

Potato Vent Installation Instructions 2019

# Pipe Prep Work

Step 1: Laser Grade Base Layer with appropriate slope (using concrete sleeper pads can cause low spots in between sleepers)

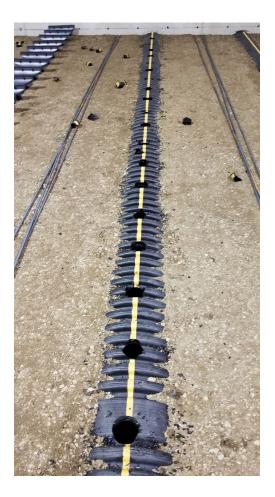
Step 2: Secure pipe with Rebar

Step 3: Use Telebelt to fill in between pipes to minimize ground disturbance and maintain perfectly flat base. Gravel is the preferred fill material

Step 4: Use compactor to firmly pack gravel in between pipes.

Step 5: Drill Pilot holes using tape measure to perfectly space vents.

Step 6: Drill vent holes using hole saw.



## Installing Vents

Step 1: Insert Vent into pipe with rubber insert already attached

Step 2: Fasten to pipe using 4 large screws while using level to align.



#### Placing Rebar

Use Better Air Part # *RC-02* 2.5" - 3" Cone Chair for Rebar Support



## **Pouring Concrete**

Step 1: Use top of Rubber Inserts for concrete thickness reference point.

Step 2: **Hand raking** insead of Vibra screeding is the preferred method of leveling out the concrete. This minimizes cream buildup around vent edges which **can compromise concrete strength**.



## **Concrete Finishing**

Step 1: Wait for concrete to harden enough before troweling, otherwise power trowels will snag and dislodge rubber inserts

Step 2: Tops of rubber inserts should be **clearly visible by 3rd or 4th troweling pass**. If not visible, vents are **buried too deep** and will negatively affect insert removal.

Step 3: **Do not over trowel**. Once concrete starts drying on top of inserts any further troweling will diminish floor Quality / Finish.



# Concrete Finishing





## **Insert Removal**

Step 1: Wait 3-4 days before removing inserts to minimize spalling/cracking

\*Concrete directly on top of Inserts dries faster and will be clearly visible.

Do not wait too long to remove inserts because this color difference will gradually disappear as surrounding concrete dries.



Freshly removed Inserts



#### **Insert Removal**

Step 1: Puncture insert with sharpened hook

Step 2: Remove by pulling straight upwards

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