About Wire Ties

The wire ties we use for attaching the cattle fencing panels together are called rebar ties. They come in large bundles at the hardware store, but you only need a small amount (20–30 pcs.) for tying the fencing panels together (see page 51). You may be able to find a small amount at a reuse building supply store if you have one in your area, or if you know a construction contractor chances are they have a few around.

Also, for a long time, we didn't use the specialized rebar tools. We simply cut short 5" lengths of general-purpose wire we could find and used pliers to twist together the seams of the panels. If you are trying to build one Hut, this could be your better option rather than trying to hunt down materials and a tool you are only going to use once.

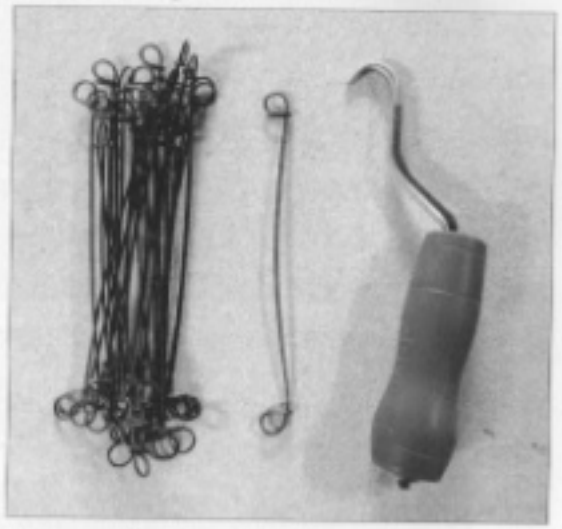

Figure 5.

Roofing Felt Strips—Prep Work:

(1) These small roles are cut from larger roles of roofing felt. There are lots of different ways to cut out this material. Study the dimensions in **Figure 6**.

(2) Using your method of choice—we typically use a razor knife (like the kind people use to break down boxes) with a fresh blade—cut your felt paper to the correct dimensions.

(See page 49 for installation details)

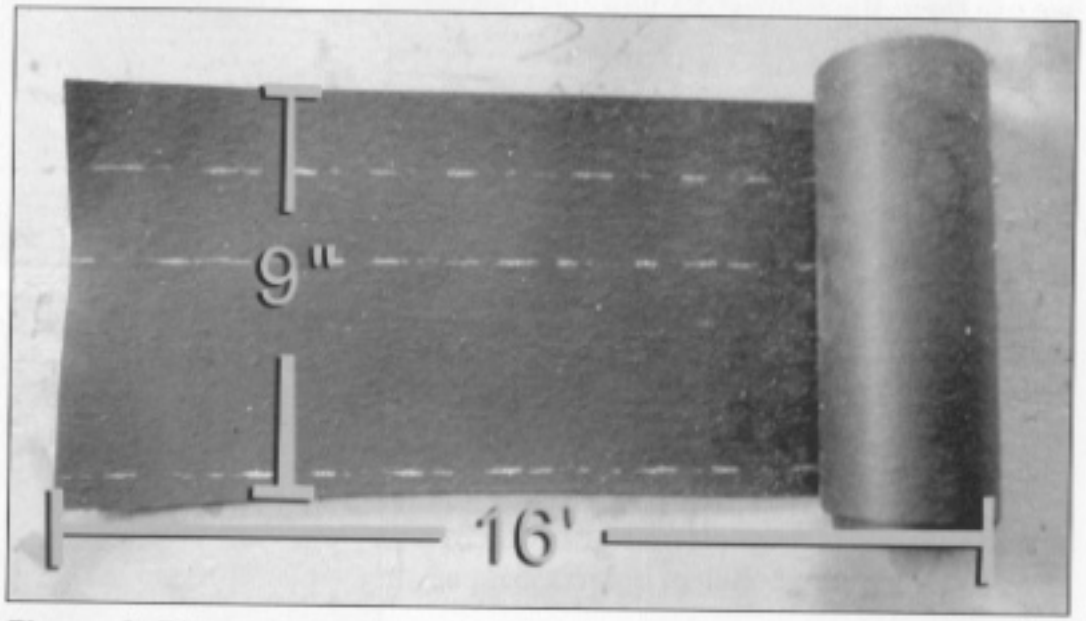

Figure 6. Dimensions of the tar paper strips. Two strips per Hut.