

POPLAR / LOCUST

Poplar's botanical name is *Populus tremula*. Locust's botanical name is *Robinia pseudoacacia*. These species along with Southern Yellow Pine are what is currently used to make West Virginia Split Rail fence systems.

Poplar and SYP have to be treated for rot and insect infestation while Locust can be used as natural wood. Locust availability has declined and is now replaced by readily available Poplar and SYP.

Common railing is 2-rail, 3-rail, or 4-rail systems consisting of rails and posts. Posts are typically installed 10' 4" on center providing 10' spans between posts.

Rails are tapered at each end and are placed into holes in the Post for vertical alignment.

Availability is typically New England down the coastal areas to Florida.

