

1. Select a site with little or no shade.
2. Prepare the site to slope at a minimum of 1% and a maximum of 3%.
3. Spray all weeds with Roundup for the greenhouse area plus an extra 6 feet on sides and ends.
4. Build up the base if necessary so that it is a little higher than the surrounding area for water run off control. Try to use a limestone type road base with 3/4" minus rock with a mixture of fines or a mix of sand and clay.
5. Compact the base to the point of firmness for walking but not too firm to drain properly.
6. Select the best area of the greenhouse to place the utility connections (incoming electrical service panel, water and gas if necessary). The utilities need to come in a corner at either end of the greenhouse 24-36" from the side.
7. Stub the water with a shut-off valve. A 3/4" line is recommended for greenhouses under 2,000 sq.ft. and a 1" line for larger houses.
8. Set the service panel at approximately 5' from the floor level on a plywood or treated lumber panel supplied by the contractor. Install a fused panel or breaker panel and a temporary 120 volt outlet for construction purposes.
9. All permits are required to be pulled by the customer or the customer's general contractor or facilities manager.
10. Secure the area with a fence if necessary. A four foot gate opening is sufficient unless access for a larger farm vehicle is required.

Vertical Gardening