

Plastic Bottom Board with 4 Entrances: Fitting 1 or 2 HiveGates



Step 1



fig. 1

Decide if you will use one or two HiveGates.

Decide on the **position** for the internal entrance/exit based on the position of your winter cluster.

Place the HiveGate/s on the base so the internal hexagonal entrance/exit sits below the winter cluster.

Place the slotted external entrance flush against the riser leaving no gaps. (see fig. 2)

IMPORTANT: With this fitting the HiveGate is not able to swivel. With multiple entrance options, the same result can be achieved.



Step 2

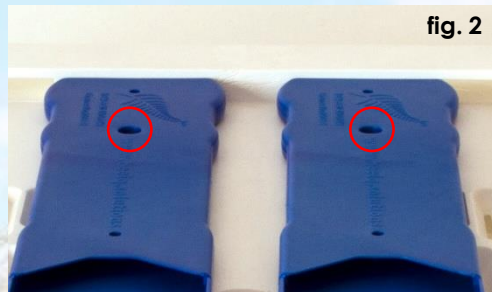


fig. 2

Best practice is to predrill a pilot hole where you would like to screw in the base. This prevents the build up of excess plastic and the HiveGate sits flush with the bottom board.

Predrill the pilot hole.

Use a stainless-steel pan head self-tapping screw, 15- 20mm long.

DO NOT USE a counter sunk screw or this may damage the HiveGate if over tightened.

Screw it/them into position through the middle and largest hole of the tunnel portion of the HiveGate. (see red circles fig. 2)

Step 3



fig. 3

Block off any entrances not being used by the HiveGate/s.

If possible, use the original plastic insert to achieve this. Or use a piece of wood or mesh. (see red circle fig. 3)

If your hive needs additional ventilation use a netting fabric or mesh fixed in place so that it cannot be removed by rodents.



Step 4



fig. 4

Ensure there are no gaps around the slot entrance/s.

Tip: Open the remaining entrances completely for the honey flow season.

