

Racing ahead: Chelmsford City Racecourse's fresh new look

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As the summer season approaches, Chelmsford City Racecourse, a prominent venue in Essex renowned for its vibrant racing events, has recently unveiled a major enhancement to its grounds with the installation of a high-performance fencing solution from [Jacksons Fencing](#).

Designed to boost both the safety and aesthetic appeal, the upgrade arrived just in time for one of the venue's busiest periods. To meet the challenge, Chelmsford City Racecourse teamed up with Garden Fencing Essex, an Approved Installer of Jacksons Fencing, to deliver a fencing solution that seamlessly balanced robust security with open, welcoming aesthetics, which is critical for a venue that hosts thousands of spectators at peak events.

Flexible trackside barrier

The racecourse required a fencing system that could serve two functions: low-level demarcation to separate general areas without compromising the open atmosphere, and secure fencing to protect restricted zones and sensitive equipment. After careful consideration, the EuroGuard® Flatform mesh fencing system was selected for its clean, unobtrusive design and superior performance. Comprising 656 twin wire mesh panels, featuring 6mm horizontal wires sandwiching a 5mm vertical wire, the system offers exceptional rigidity and longevity, perfectly suited for a bustling venue.

To meet the varied security and layout needs of Chelmsford City Racecourse, two distinct fencing heights were installed as part of the project. 1.2 metre EuroGuard® Flatform mesh fencing was used for low-level demarcation across public-facing areas of the venue. This height is ideal for subtly guiding foot traffic and separating zones, such as walkways or seating areas, without disrupting the openness of the racecourse. The fencing ensures a clear visual boundary while maintaining an inviting and accessible environment for visitors. In more sensitive areas, 1.8 metre high EuroGuard® Flatform mesh panels were installed to provide enhanced security and access control. These taller panels are used to protect staff zones and essential equipment, acting against unauthorised entry. This increased height offers peace of mind for racecourse management and staff, ensuring that restricted areas remain secure without compromising the venue's aesthetic continuity.

The fencing is finished in a green powder coating which complements the natural surroundings of the racecourse, while also providing enhanced resistance to weathering and corrosion. The tamper-proof fixings ensure the fencing remains secure, even in high-traffic environments. In addition to the fencing, a matching double leaf gate was installed to facilitate vehicle access while maintaining a cohesive visual identity.

Constructed to the same high standards, this gate ensures smooth logistics for maintenance and events.

Fencing fit for champions

Sustainability was a key factor in this project. The EuroGuard® Flatform mesh system is built from premium steel wire and comes with Jacksons Fencing's 25-year guarantee. This long-term durability reduces the environmental impact and provides significant savings on maintenance and replacements.

Commenting on the successful project, Cris Francis, Commercial Director at Jacksons Fencing, says: "Chelmsford City Racecourse is a landmark venue; not just to the local community, but to people who travel from all over the UK to enjoy the famous races. We're really proud to support its continued success with a fencing solution that balances performance, sustainability, and style, and enhances the experience for visitors and staff alike. With the EuroGuard® Flatform system, the racecourse gets the best of both worlds – smart, sustainable security without losing its open, friendly atmosphere."

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