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EXTERIOR TRIM

INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE GUIDE



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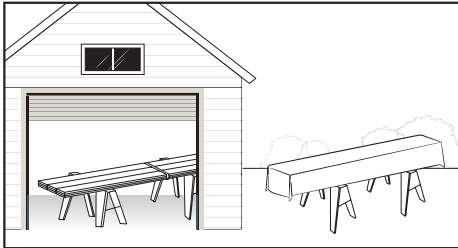
PRIMED FOR GREAT PERFORMANCE

UFP-Edge sets a high standard for primed trim and fascia. Each board is expertly primed on all six sides, ensuring long-term performance with minimal environmental impact using low-VOC coatings. For an exceptional finish, start your project with UFP-Edge.

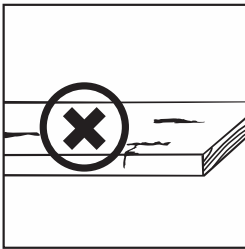
TIPS FOR GETTING STARTED

IMPORTANT: Read and understand all instructions prior to installation.
Failure to follow all instructions will void the product warranty.

When UFP-Edge product is delivered to the jobsite, we recommend you follow these basic guidelines before and during product installation. Inspect all materials upon arrival. If any material appears damaged or in poor condition, do not install it. Installation will be considered acceptance of the product.

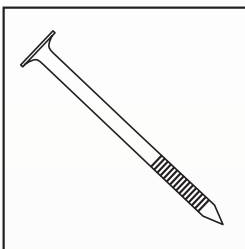
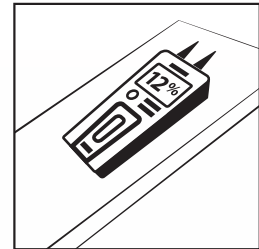


Upon receipt of your product, store it under cover, such as in a garage. If outdoor storage is necessary, keep the product elevated off the ground and wrapped in its original lumber wrap. Always ensure the product is protected from the elements prior to installation.



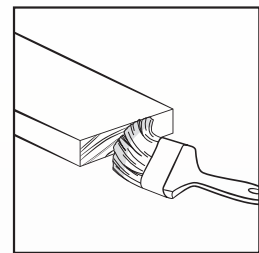
Handle, cut, and install with care to prevent the boards from rubbing against each other or other objects, which can mar the finish.

To protect your investment, it's crucial to guard against excessive moisture. Before installing trim boards, ensure they are dry, with a moisture content of 18% or less, as measured with a moisture meter.



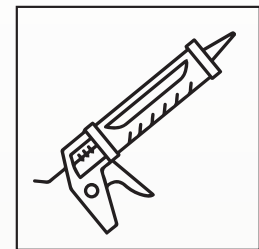
Use only 6d or 8d galvanized, stainless steel or other corrosion-resistant fasteners for installation. Fastener corrosion is not covered by the UFP-Edge warranty.

Surface preparation requires all surfaces to be free from dirt, dust, mildew and other loose foreign material before repriming or applying a finish coat. Prime all cuts and exposed wood prior to installation.



To finish your trim, use a premium quality exterior water-based acrylic/latex coating. Apply per manufacturing instructions within 60 days of trim boards being installed.

Caulking is used to seal gaps around corners, windows, doors and other exterior types of joints that can be exposed to water intrusion.



STORAGE AND HANDLING

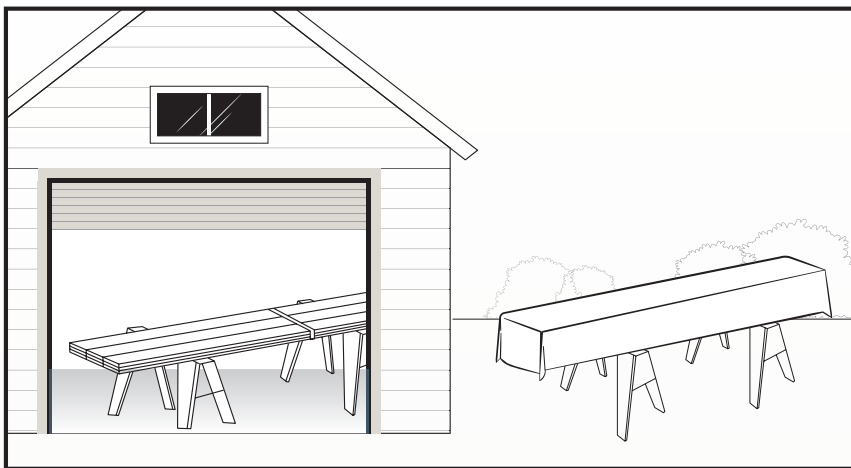
RETAIL GUIDANCE

- The product must always be kept off the ground and on a level, stable surface. Protect the product from dirt, moisture, direct sunlight and extreme heat.
- Ideally, the product should be under covered storage.
- If covered storage is not available, the unit wrap must always remain in place to protect from the elements, dirt and debris.
 - When pulling orders, cut the bands on the unit, remove one side of the wrap and pull boards.
 - When finished, replace the unit wrap and re-band the unit to secure in place.
 - In all circumstances, but especially when the product is stored outside, it must be kept off the ground and away from any standing water.
- When handling, use care to avoid gouging, scratching and scuffing the surface of the trim. Never stack product more than 5 units high.

JOBSITE GUIDANCE

UFP-Edge products must always be protected from the elements prior to installation.

- Store product under a covered area away from the elements or cover with a breathable waterproof cover that allows air to circulate.
- Material must also be kept off the ground and on a level, stable surface.
- Protect the product from dirt, moisture, direct sunlight and extreme heat.
- For better finished results, allow the material to acclimate to the local climate.



When stored in enclosed structures, make sure you have good airflow to reduce risk of moisture collecting on bottom rows of the unit. Stringers are recommended to create spacing between rows. Always protect units from the elements, especially if storing outside.

APPROVED USES OF UFP-EDGE TRIM



TRIM & FASCIA COMPONENTS

A. | FASCIA

B. | FRIEZE BOARD

C. | CORNER TRIM

D. | WINDOW & DOOR TRIM

E. | SOFFIT

F. | COLUMN TRIM

INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

The best performance of your investment will result from installation according to traditional “best practices” for wood construction materials. By having your installers follow the Installation Instructions and Maintenance Instructions provided, your project should last for years to come.



Do not install in any structural or load-bearing application.

Do not install when moisture content is over 18%.

Do not allow ground contact

Do not place in direct contact with concrete, masonry, patios, porches, roofs or rigid foam insulation.

Do not install where water sprinklers can regularly wet.

Do not install in a manner that allows water to be trapped behind boards.

Do not use caulking sealant as a substitute for flashing.

Do not prime or paint wet material.



Do follow all local building code regulations.

Do follow UFP-Edge recommended installation instructions.

Do ensure the safety of everyone on the jobsite, including wearing the appropriate safety gear.

Do conduct annual inspections to identify maintenance needed.

Do follow all coating manufacturer label instructions for re-priming and finish coating applications.

Do re-prime all field cuts to protect material.

Do protect all material prior to installation by storing inside a structure or under lumber wrap, and above ground.

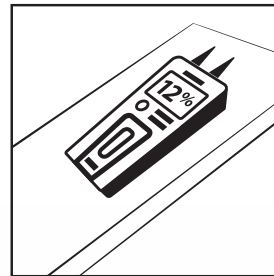
Do be aware of potential moisture control issues and address during installation.

MOISTURE CONTROL

Lumber and finish issues typically result from moisture, which causes the lumber to expand and contract at a greater rate, causing nail pops, splitting, checking and paint degradation. Proper handling and building practices can prevent most performance issues.

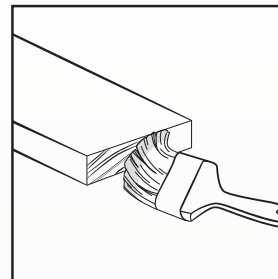
UFP-Edge products should only be applied to structures that are well ventilated and dry. Never install over wet sheathing! The structure must be wrapped with a moisture-resistant barrier, and all windows and doors must be flashed and taped appropriately. Consult with local building codes for proper procedures for handling moisture and water vapor.

Lumber and finish issues typically result when moisture content is above 18%.



SURFACE PREPARATION

All surfaces must be free from dirt, dust, mildew and other loose foreign material before repriming or applying a finish coat. Implementing these practices promotes good adhesion for all re-priming and finish coat applications during installation and continued maintenance.



CLEARANCES

FLASHING

- Trim used in a horizontal application must be flashed.
- Proper flashing will prevent water from traveling behind the trim.

COLUMN WRAP

- Pack out column as needed to provide fastening surface for trim, using proper construction and flashing methods.
- Maintain ventilation and drainage.
- Always apply housewrap before installing trim over pressure-treated lumber.

MINIMUM SPACING REQUIREMENTS



- 6" above finished grade or landscaping.



- At least 1/2" above brick, concrete or flashing to allow for water drainage.



- 2" above adjacent porch floor or roof surface.



- Prime all edges & never install where trim could encounter standing water.

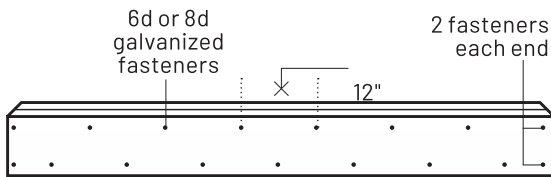
FASTENERS

UFP-Edge products must be fastened to structural framing, sheathing or other materials. It must be double nailed at a maximum of 24" on center or stagger nailed every 12" or less. Nail heads must be driven flush with the surface of the material.

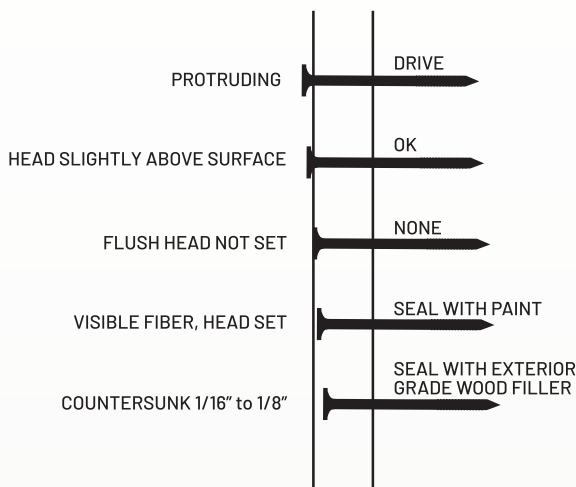
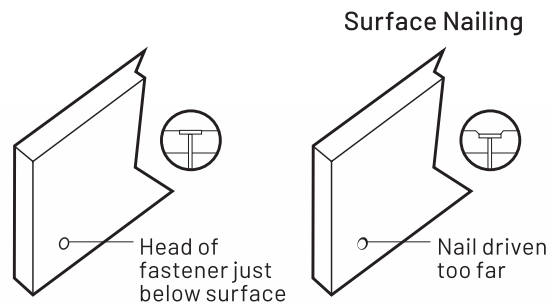
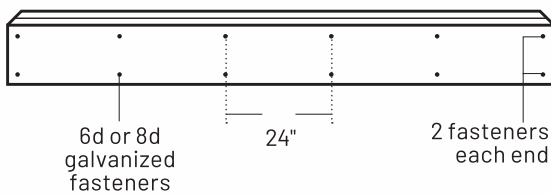
Do not overdrive or countersink fasteners. If nails are driven too far and wood fiber is exposed, the area must be caulked or painted to seal the wood.

Fasten material from one end to the other. Do not nail from both ends towards the center as this can create undue stress on the wood.

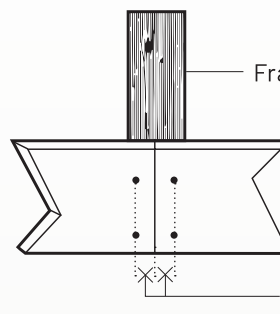
Stagger Nailed



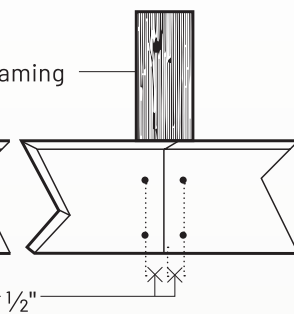
Double Nailed



Butt Joint



Scarf Joint

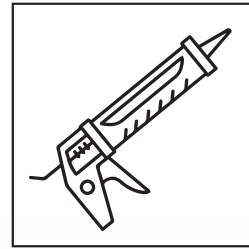


CAULKING

Caulk is required anytime UFP-Edge trim intersects with other materials, such as siding, windows or doors. Always use a high-quality exterior-grade caulk that remains flexible and will move as the wood expands and contracts. Never use hard-setting caulks.

Caulking is not a permanent solution and as such requires regular maintenance. If not inspected and maintained, caulking may fail and trap water, creating severe water problems. Do not rely on it as the only barrier to water penetration. Do not caulk areas that will prevent water from escaping the wall cavity (e.g., under windows and around flashing).

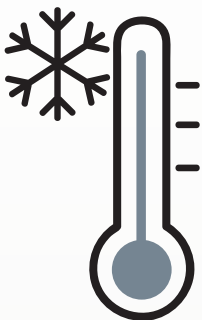
In all cases, always follow manufacturer instructions and local building codes. Never use caulk as a substitute for flashing.



PRIME ALL CUTS

When primed material is field cut or wood is exposed, it must be primed to prevent the uptake of moisture. All field cuts must be re-primed with at least one coat of exterior primer prior to installation to meet warranty requirements. This includes surfaces that won't be seen or exposed once installed. If the primed product is left exposed or unfinished for an extended period of time, all surfaces should be primed again before final coatings.

Primers must be a high-quality exterior oil or acrylic latex primer formulated for wood.



PLEASE NOTE

To optimize coating applications and board performance, in colder climates where temperatures fall below 35°F, it is recommended:

- Precut the trim and take it into a climate-controlled building with an ambient air temperature above 50°F.
- Allow the trim to acclimate for at least 48 hours, ensure the trim is dry, and prime the cuts with a 100% acrylic-latex primer.
- Allow the re-primed trim to dry overnight and then proceed with installation.

If regional building codes require retreatment of field cut ends and drilled holes, retreatment is to be made with a zinc or copper naphthenate wood preservative (minimum 2% metal) with two saturating brush coats at the time of installation, and prior to the application of two coats of exterior grade waterproof coating.

FIELD FINISHING TRIM

PLEASE NOTE

All surfaces must be free from dirt, dust, mildew and other loose or foreign material. Washing the surface with water and a mild detergent may be required to properly prepare the surface. Allow the surface to fully dry before painting.

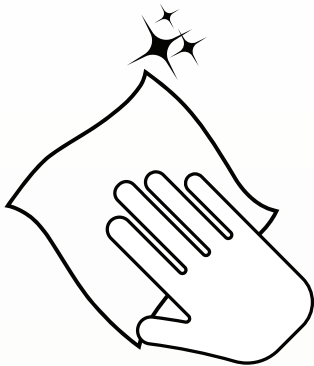
Any paint or primer used should be a high-quality exterior coating applied according to the manufacturer's specifications. Application method and conditions will significantly impact the performance of the coating and thus the substrate.

Use satin/semi-gloss or full gloss exterior acrylic latex over a flat finish for better performance.

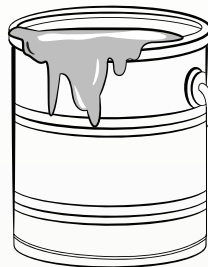
All exposed surfaces must be well-coated, paying special attention to the bottom edge on any horizontal applications since this is an especially moisture-prone area.

Topcoat must be applied to material that has a moisture content of 18% or less.

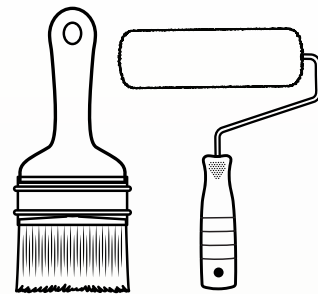
All exposed surfaces must be top-coated with high-quality, 100% acrylic latex exterior paint within 60 days of installation. Follow the paint manufacturer's published instructions for application, recommended spread rates and number of coats.



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**PREMIUM QUALITY EXTERIOR
ACRYLIC LATEX COATING**



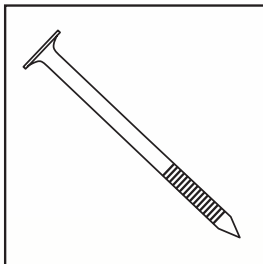
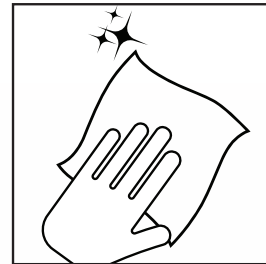
**FINISH IN <60 DAYS
AFTER INSTALLATION**

MAINTENANCE

Depending on your building location and local climate, your project is subject to wear and tear over time. All components of your home will experience aging, and routine maintenance is recommended to maximize performance.

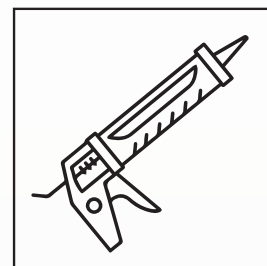
The maintenance instructions set out below provide some guidelines for such inspections and maintenance.. If any damage to trim occurs due to the homeowner's failure to follow proper maintenance procedures, or to mitigate any damage, including damage caused by water penetration, the damage is excluded from warranty coverage.

Remove dirt and grime with commercially approved cleansers using garden hose pressure. Do not use a power washer, which may cause coating and substrate damage. Mold and mildew may appear over time, especially in consistently wet, shaded areas. Spores from the natural environment are carried by the wind and commonly land on building surfaces. The appearance of mold/mildew is a function of nature, not necessarily a deficiency with any material on which it grows. It is recommended to use cleaners designed to remove the growth. Regular cleaning to remove surface dirt, will also help prevent the buildup of pollen, debris, and spores that can cause and accelerate mold/mildew growth. If exterior walls are being cleaned along with trim, it is recommended to clean from bottom up so that walls are not continuously exposed to run off.



Defective fasteners, rusty in nature, may be an indication of excessive exposure to moisture, wrong type of fastener or fastener coating degradation. If fasteners were counter sunk, then filled with putty, they should be checked, removed and replaced if needed. Remove corrosion by scraping and cleaning, then refill any holes. Prime and finish coat as needed.

Caulk, also categorized as a sealant, should be reviewed annually prior to wetter seasonal changes in your area. Building structures will settle over time and stress can occur in caulked/sealed areas around the home. If cracking has occurred, remove and replace with an exterior premium-grade acrylic-latex, silicone, acrylic, or urethane caulk.



Exterior paint's primary function is to protect the wood substrate from the elements. The durability of the coating should be checked for surface imperfections such as cracking and/or peeling away from the substrate surface. If this has occurred, gently scrape loose areas to remove, reprime the exposed area and refinish matching the original color. South and west-facing sides along with darker colors will fade faster than north and east-facing sides, and lighter colors.

WARRANTY REQUIREMENTS

UFP-Edge trim products are covered by a limited warranty. To be eligible for coverage, amongst other things, all product must be installed in a manner that does not result in prolonged or continuous exposure to moisture; all field-cut sides, ends and drilled holes must be primed, coated or re-treated prior to installation; and all exposed surfaces must be top-coated with a high quality, 100% acrylic latex exterior paint within sixty (60) days of installation. Failure to adhere to all Installation Instructions could result in voiding of the warranty. For complete warranty details, visit ufpEDGE.com

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Note: UFP-Edge trim products are not suitable for structural use. They may not be used for load-bearing applications. The same commonsense precautions should be taken when handling the products as with any wood or other building materials. Dust masks and eye protection devices are recommended to avoid possible irritation from sawdust and chips. Gloves will help protect hands. Hands should be washed after construction work.

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