



ALUMINUM SIDING

Installation Manual
CATALOGUE



◊ INTRODUCTION ◊

Welcome to the Aluminum Siding Installation Manual. This guide provides detailed instructions for installing aluminum siding to ensure a durable and aesthetically pleasing finish. Aluminum siding is a popular choice due to its low maintenance requirements, durability, and ability to enhance the exterior of any building.

◊ SAFETY PRECAUTIONS ◊



Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):

Wear safety goggles, gloves, and a hard hat during installation. Ensure appropriate footwear with good traction.

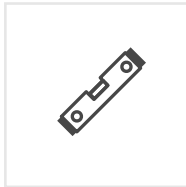


Safety Guidelines:

- ★ Use ladders safely and ensure they are on stable ground.
- ★ Avoid working in adverse weather conditions.
- ★ Handle tools and materials with care to prevent injury.
- ★ Follow all local building codes and regulations.

«TOOLS AND ACCESSORIES»

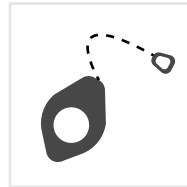
TOOLS



Level



Saw (for cutting siding panels)



Chalk line



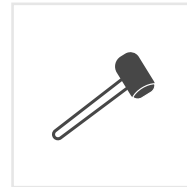
Drill



Utility knife

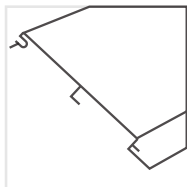


Measuring tape

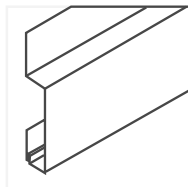


Hammer or nail gun

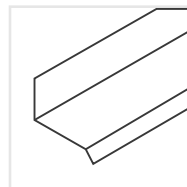
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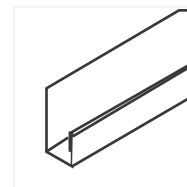
Aluminum siding panels



Starter strip



Drip flashing



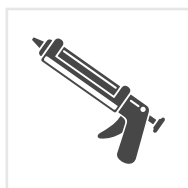
J Trim 1 in



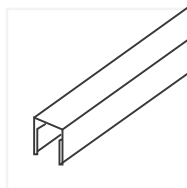
H-trim



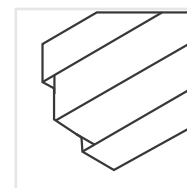
Fasteners (nails or screws suitable for siding)



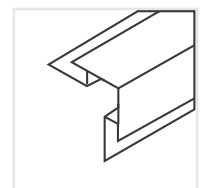
Caulk or sealant (if needed)



Batten trim filler



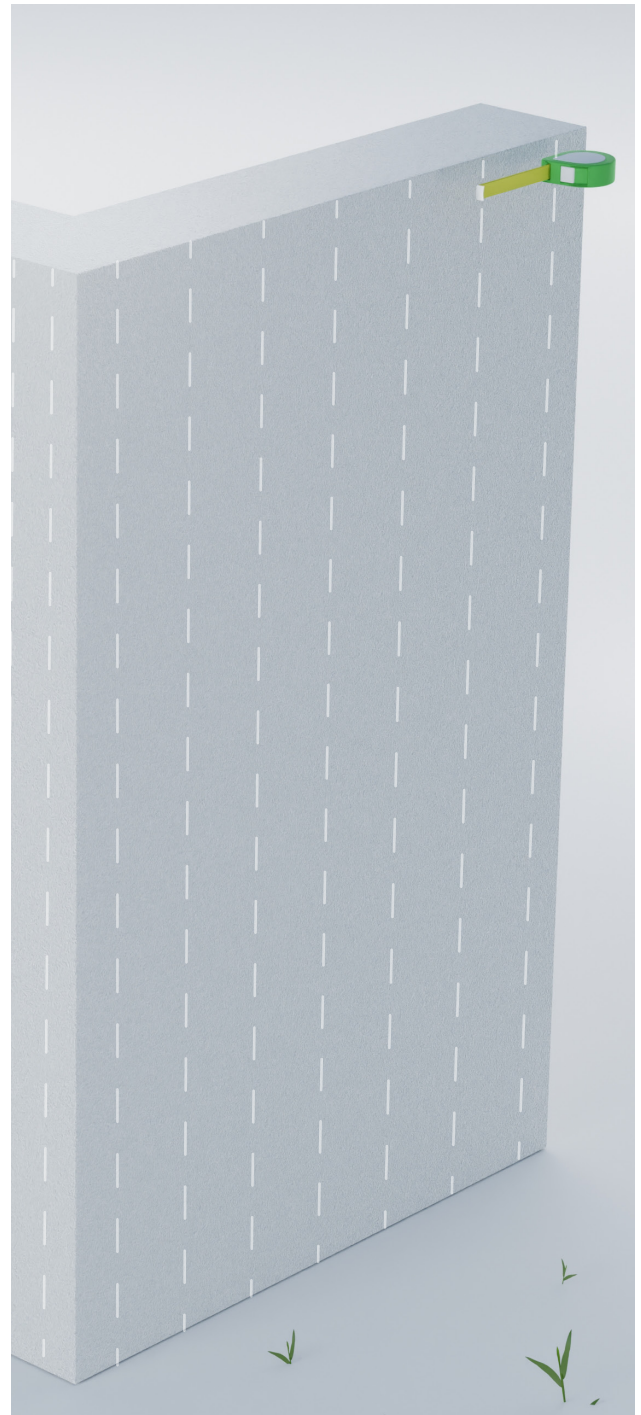
Inside Corner



Outside corner

« PREPARATION OF THE WALL »

- ★ **Inspect the Wall:** Check for any damage, moisture, or irregularities on the wall surface. Address any issues such as rot or mold before proceeding.
- ★ **Repair and Clean the Surface:** Repair any damaged areas and ensure the wall surface is clean and dry. Remove any old siding, nails, or debris that could interfere with the installation.
- ★ **Check for Level and Plumb:** Use a level to ensure the wall is vertical and even. Make any necessary adjustments to ensure a straight installation.
- ★ **Install a Moisture Barrier:** If required, install a moisture barrier or house wrap to protect the underlying structure from moisture and improve insulation.
- ★ **Strapping:** Install strapping at 24-inch centers if strongly recommended. This provides a solid base for the siding and ensures a more secure installation.



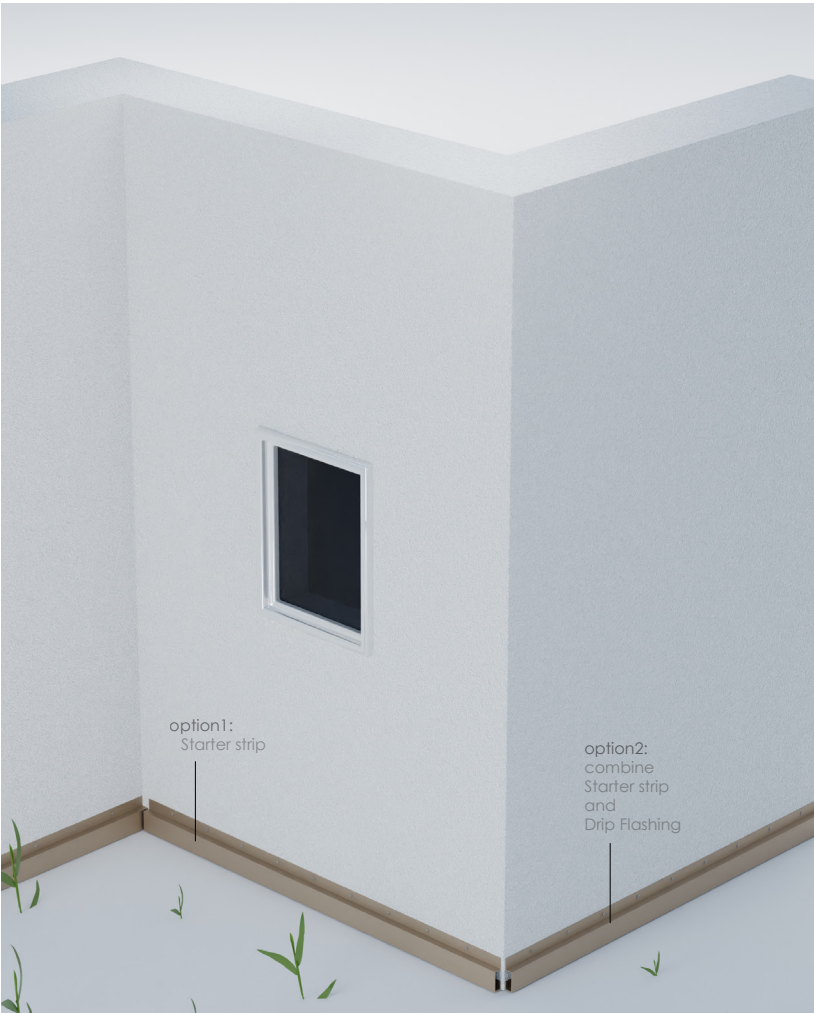
« MEASURING AND PLANNING »

- ★ **Measure the Area:** Accurately measure the width and height of the wall to determine the amount of siding needed.
- ★ **Plan the Layout:** Decide where to place the starter strip, J-channel, and H-trim. Plan for any seams or joints and how they will be covered.
- ★ **Calculate Materials:** Based on measurements, calculate the number of siding panels, trims, and other materials required.



INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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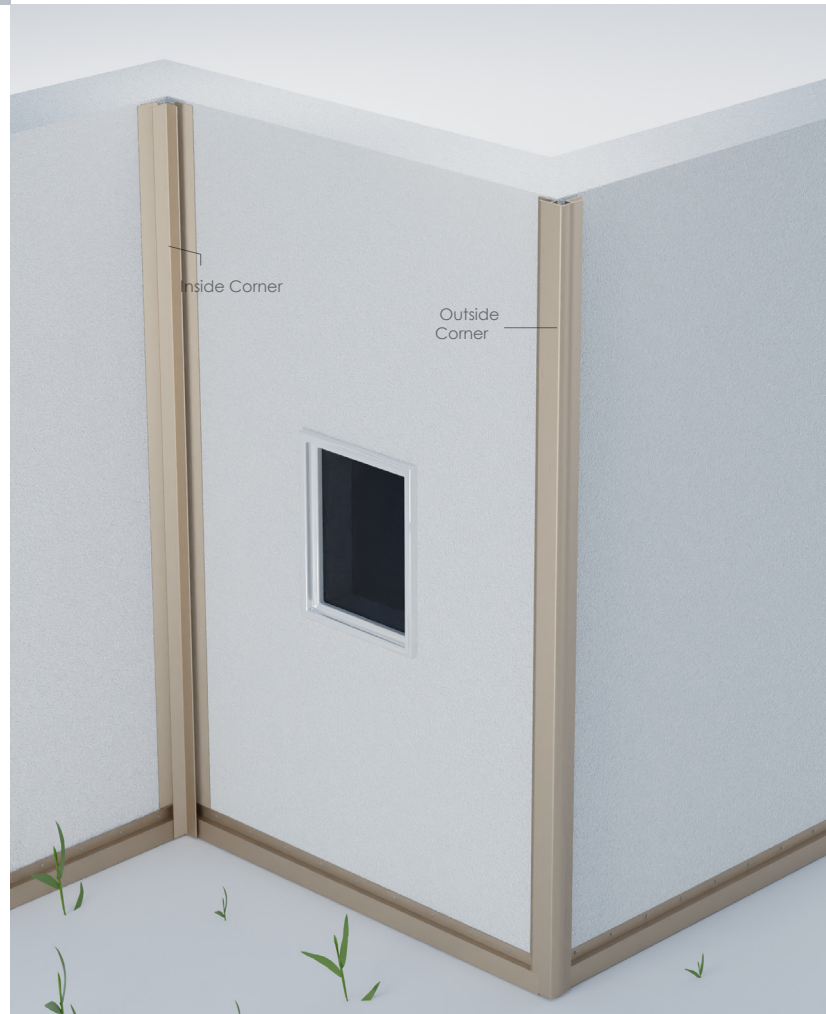


1 INSTALL THE STARTER STRIP

- ✦ Begin by installing the starter strip at the base of the substrate.
- ✦ Position the starter strip so that it is level and aligns with the bottom edge of the wall or where the siding will begin.
- ✦ Secure the starter strip to the substrate using appropriate fasteners (typically galvanized nails or screws), ensuring it is firmly attached and level. The starter strip serves as the foundation for the first row of siding panels.

2 INSTALL INSIDE AND OUTSIDE CORNER PIECES

- ✦ Install the inside and outside corner pieces before applying any siding panels.
- ✦ For inside corners, align the corner piece vertically and secure it in place with fasteners on both sides. Make sure it is plumb (perfectly vertical) to avoid alignment issues later.
- ✦ For outside corners, ensure the corner piece covers the entire edge of the wall and provides a smooth, even corner. Attach it securely with fasteners, checking for plumb alignment.



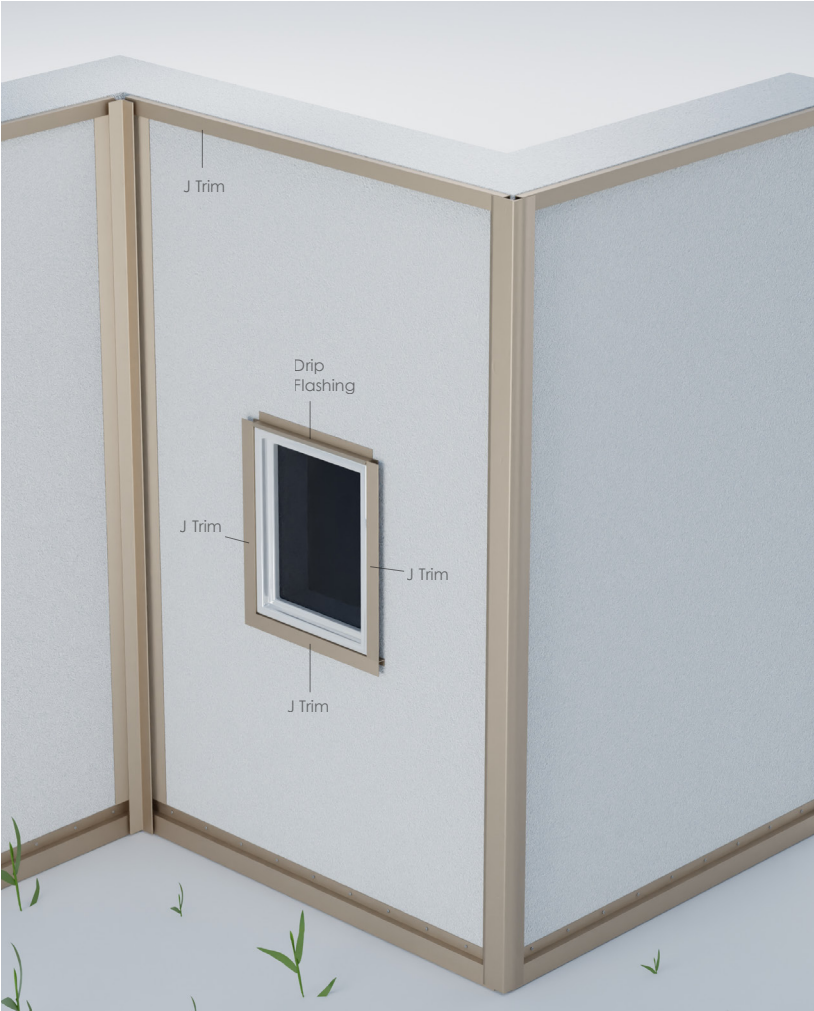
3 FLASHING AND J-TRIM INSTALLATION

Drip Flashing:

Install drip flashing above all windows, doors, and any other horizontal openings. The flashing should extend slightly beyond the edges of the openings to direct water away from the wall.

J-TRIM:

- ★ Install J-Trim around all windows, doors, and any other protrusions from the substrate. This provides a clean edge and a secure place for the siding to end.
- ★ Ensure the J-Trim is cut precisely to fit around openings, with mitered corners for a professional appearance.
- ★ Attach the J-Trim along the top of the wall as well, leaving space for expansion as necessary.



4 INSTALL H-TRIM (IF NEEDED)

- ★ If the wall height exceeds the length of the siding panels, an H-trim will be required to join the panels.
- ★ Determine a visually appealing placement for the H-trim, typically at the midpoint of the wall or aligned with a window or door to minimize its visual impact.
- ★ Install the H-trim horizontally, ensuring it is level. The H-trim should be secured firmly, with allowance for panel expansion.



5 MEASURE, CUT, AND INSTALL SIDING PANELS

- ★ Measure each section of the wall where siding will be installed, ensuring precise measurements.
- ★ Cut the siding panels to the correct length using tin snips or a metal-cutting saw. Leave a 3/16-inch gap at both ends of each panel to allow for thermal expansion.
- ★ Begin installing the siding panels from the bottom up, locking the bottom edge of each panel into the starter strip.
- ★ Secure each panel to the substrate using appropriate fasteners, typically driving the fasteners through the nailing flange at the top of the panel.
- ★ Do not over-tighten the fasteners, as this can prevent the siding from expanding and contracting with temperature changes. Leave a small amount of play (about 1/32 of an inch) to allow the siding to move slightly.



6 FINISHING TOUCHES

- ★ After all panels are installed, check for any gaps or misalignments. Make adjustments as necessary to ensure a tight, weatherproof installation.
- ★ Install any additional trim or accessories, such as fascia boards or soffit panels, to complete the look and protect the edges of the siding.





7 CLEAN UP AND INSPECTION

- ★ Remove any debris or leftover materials from the installation site.
- ★ Inspect the entire installation for any missed fasteners, loose panels, or gaps. Ensure that all components are securely fastened and properly aligned.
- ★ Conduct a final inspection from various angles to ensure a uniform appearance and correct any issues as needed.



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