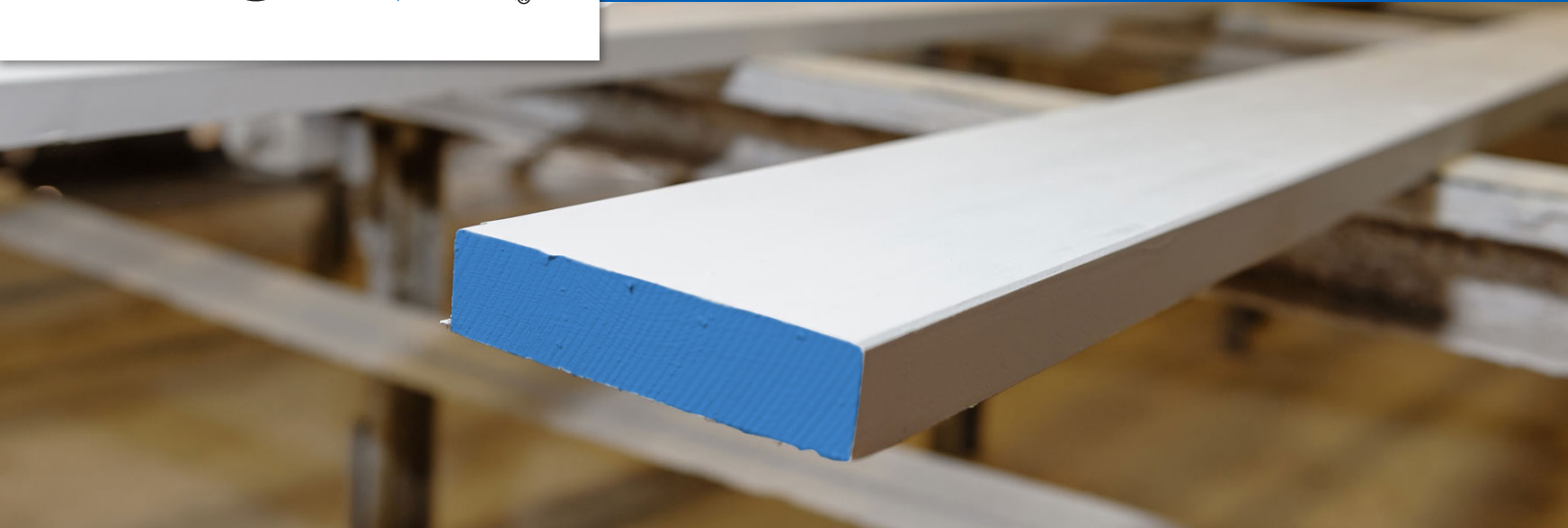




SilvaTrim™



SILVATRIM™ APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

STORAGE

SilvaTrim™ fascia and trim must be protected from the elements at all times; preferably stored in a warehouse or covered area. Use stringers at the job site to keep materials off the ground, and protect from the elements before being used.

CUTTING

Use a fine-tooth hand saw or power saw with a combination blade. The cutting action of the blade should be into the face of the material. Carbide-tipped blades are recommended.

CAULK

Use only a high-quality, exterior caulk that remains flexible over time, where trim & fascia abuts siding, windows, doors or other materials. Required.

MACHINING

SilvaTrim™ Fascia and Trim can be grooved or machined to provide for decorative applications.

Machining Depth:

7/8" and 1" products - Max 5/16"

5/4 and 2" products - Max 1/2"

- Avoid flat surfaces where water can accumulate on routed or grooved product.
- Maintain an angle of at least 100° from vertical to provide positive drainage.
- Re-prime all machined product with a high quality exterior oil or acrylic latex primer formulated for wood.

FASTENING REQUIREMENTS

SilvaTrim™ Fascia and Trim is engineered to be fastened to structural framing, sheathing and other materials and used in conjunction with: lumber, engineered wood products, vinyl, aluminum, brick, block, concrete and stucco.

When used in an application as fascia, SilvaTrim™ Fascia and Trim must be double nailed and fastened at a maximum 24" on center. For all other applications, fasten trim 24" apart using a staggered nailing pattern or double nail 16" on center.






Double nail all joints and do not nail any closer than 1/2" from the edge of material without drilling pilot holes. Use a 6d or 8d galvanized nail with a 3/16" head diameter, long enough to penetrate 1 1/4" into structural framing members. Use only corrosion resistant fasteners, such as hot dipped galvanized nails or stainless steel. Drive nails perpendicular to the framing and trim and do not overdrive or countersink the fasteners.

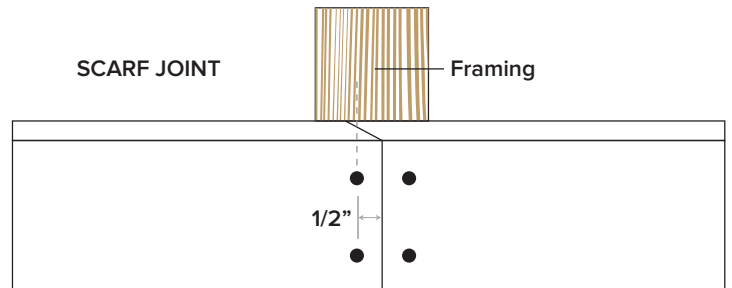
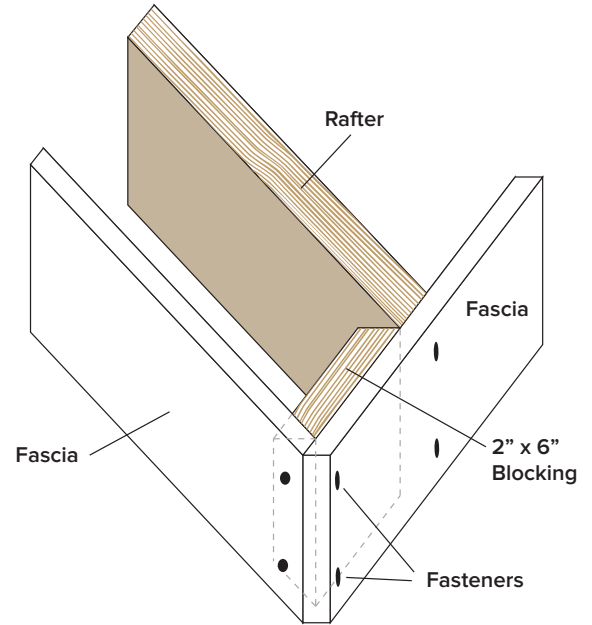
DO NOT USE STAPLES, T-NAILS OR ANY TYPE OF COUNTER-SINKING FASTENER, such as tapered head or bugle head fasteners. Use of these fasteners will void the warranty.

Fasten Fascia and Trim from one end to the other end. Do not nail towards the center from both ends.

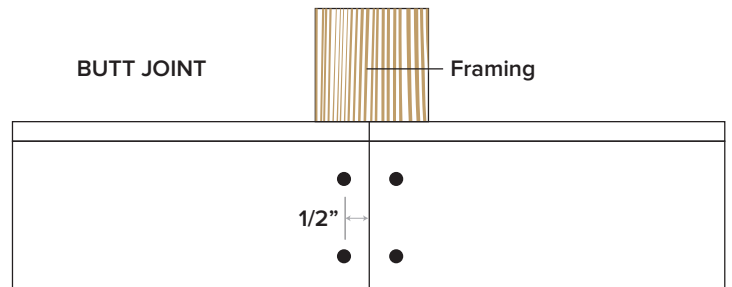
POWER DRIVEN NAILS:

Power nailing systems are allowed when the fasteners are equal in performance (e.g., nail withdrawal, bending strength and corrosion resistance) to standard 6d or 8d nails. Any other fasteners used, such as screws or ring-shank nails, must meet the same minimum criteria.

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Protruding Head
 NEEDS CORRECTION. Drive head until flush.
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Head Slightly Above Surface
 NO CORRECTION NEEDED.
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Head Flush with Surface
 NO CORRECTION NEEDED.
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Slightly Countersunk Head
 NEEDS CORRECTION. Seal with paint.
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Countersunk 1/16" - 1/8"
 NEEDS CORRECTION. Seal with exterior grade wood filler.



Two nails should penetrate through both boards, otherwise four nails should be used to fasten fascia to framing.

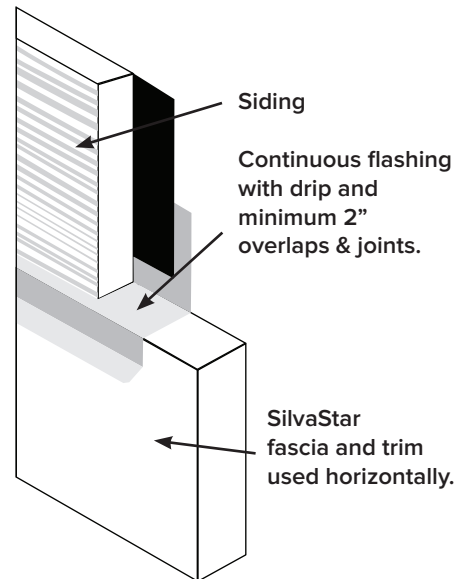


FLASHING AND MOISTURE CONTROL:

The structure on which the SilvaTrim™ Fascia and Trim is applied should be well vented and dry. Do not apply trim over wet sheathing, or any closer than 6 inches to finished grade or final landscaping. SilvaTrim™ Fascia and Trim should not come in direct contact with masonry or concrete and should be properly flashed and spaced at least ½” from any concrete flatwork or horizontal brick ledge.

At foundations or exterior brick veneer, the product should be separated from the masonry by metal flashing, polyethylene film, 30 lb. Felt or a ¼” to ½” air space using masonry standoffs. In all applications, Fascia and Trim should not be allowed to stand in water.

Caulk and seal the Fascia and Trim applications to prevent water intrusion. Water should not be allowed to stand on or leak behind any Trim. **See diagram for proper flashing application instructions.**



FINISHING REQUIREMENTS

SilvaTrim™ Fascia and Trim must be painted with an exterior coating system in accordance with the following specifications to fulfill the warranty requirements.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Paint performance is dependent upon the quality and quantity of paint applied, and the conditions under which it is applied. Low quality paint and/or thinly applied paint tend to last for a relatively short time, resulting in discoloration, premature fading, inadequate substrate protection, and frequent repainting – sometimes as often as every one or two years. Top quality paint, applied in sufficient quantity, will provide the best performance with the minimum maintenance. Follow coating manufacturer recommendations when selecting and applying a paint.

SURFACE PREPARATION:

The surface must be free of dust, dirt, mildew and other foreign materials before painting. Washing with water and a mild detergent will usually remove dust and dirt. Allow the surface to dry before painting.

PAINT SELECTION:

For best results, use satin/semi-gloss or full-gloss exterior acrylic latex or a satin/semi-gloss. Semi-gloss or full-gloss finishes tend to perform better than flat finishes. Note: Some systems may require the application of a designated primer and topcoat combination.

PAINT APPLICATION:

Always follow the paint manufacturer's recommendations for the application and maintenance of field-applied paints.

1. Prime and paint all field-cut edges of exterior trim using high quality exterior oil or acrylic latex primer formulated for wood, or a primer recommended by the paint manufacturer.
2. All exposed surfaces including the bottom edge must be well coated. Because of its location, the bottom edge is often not adequately protected with paint. Inadequate coverage of the bottom edge may result in paint failure or premature degradation of the Fascia and Trim.
3. SILVATRIM™ Fascia and trim must be finished in accordance to the top-coat paint manufacturer's finishing specifications. These finishing specs must be maintained over the life the of warranty.
4. Most coatings can be applied with brush, roller, pad or spray. The brush application method tends to apply the most paint per coat; spraying tends to apply the least per coat.
5. The Fascia and Trim surface temperature must not be less than 50 degrees for 24 hours following the application of water-based paint. Paint performance problems can be avoided by not applying paint in the evenings of cool spring and fall days when heavy dew can form before the surface of the paint has thoroughly dried. Allow at least 2 hours for the paint to dry before sunset. Likewise, painting in the morning should not begin until after the dew has had time to evaporate. Water absorption problems and major finish failure can occur with some latex paints when applied under these conditions.
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SILVASTAR is not responsible for the performance of field applied finishes. Finish performance is dependent upon coating quality and application methods which are factors controlled by the finish manufacturer and the applicator.

DO NOT USE THE FOLLOWING COATINGS:

Shake and shingle paint.
*Vinyl acrylic paint
Flat oil paint Vinyl acetate paint
Vinyl acetate / co-polymer paint Clear Coatings
Transparent or opaque stains

*Vinyl acrylic paint tends to weather more quickly than full acrylic paints and may discolor.