

# Window & Door Trim

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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### Materials needed:

- Tape measure
- Framing square
- Hammer
- Screwdriver
- Miter Saw
- Nail Countersink
- Caulk Gun & Exterior Grade Caulk
- Pencil
- Safety glasses
- Polyurethane Compatible Adhesive
- Polyurethane Compatible Filler
- Sandpaper
- Corrosion-Resistant Fasteners

### Installing Pilasters as Side Trim for Doors and Garage Doors

1. Determine the required height of the pilaster by measuring the distance from the landing or porch floor to the top of the door, including any existing trim or brickmould. Be sure to include the height of any transom or over-the-door window.
2. To make installation easier, Fypon pilasters come with either a plinth block (base) that is moulded to the pilaster as one unit, or an unattached plinth for greater height adjustability. In either case, any trimming for height is done at the bottom end of the pilaster.
3. After trimming pilasters to the correct height, install them using corrosion-resistant fasteners and polyurethane compatible adhesive.

### Installing Crossheads Above Windows, Doors and Garage Doors

Crossheads look best when their breastboard is the same width as the window or door, plus any trim. It is acceptable to install crossheads with breastboards that are slightly wider than the opening and trim, as long as the overhang is even on both sides.

1. Measure the distance from one outside edge of the window or door, plus any trim, to the other outside edge (horizontal measurement).
2. If your crosshead is equal to or slightly wider than this measurement, install it centered above the window or door using adhesive and fasteners.
4. Add a keystone, centered on the crosshead, for a classic appearance. Fasten the keystone to the crosshead using adhesive and fasteners. If your crosshead is more than 2" wider than the measurement you made in step one, you should cut the crosshead in the center and remove an equal amount from both sides. The two remaining pieces, when combined, will fit above your opening.
  - A.) If your crosshead is narrower than the measurement you made in Step 1, you will need to either use a larger crosshead or combine two crossheads to create one larger crosshead. To combine two crossheads, use one to create a left crosshead piece, and use the other to create a right crosshead piece. Each piece should be half of the original measurement you made. Be sure to measure from the left side of one crosshead and from the right side of the other, so that they join in the middle to form a single, larger crosshead. Cover the seam at the center of a combined crosshead using a keystone. Fasten the keystone to the crosshead using polyurethane compatible adhesive and corrosion-resistant fasteners.

### General Installation Notes

Any adhesives, sealants, fillers or paint used must be compatible with the material that is being installed (*see manufacturer's recommendations in the Finishing and Adhesives section below*). Always use corrosion-resistant mechanical nails or screws along with manufacturer's recommended adhesive product when installing all Fypon products. This combination provides a secure, long-lasting bond. Countersink all fasteners about  $\frac{1}{8}$ " and fill with product compatible filler. Exterior installations should be finished using a manufacturer's recommended caulk to prevent water infiltration behind siding, windows and doors. Some exterior installations, in particular new construction before siding is applied, may require a J-channel and/or flashing to prevent water infiltration. Installers must determine which installation technique is best for the specific situation.

### Finishing and Adhesives

**Polyurethane (PUR)** – Fypon polyurethane products are factory primed. Depending on product location, always use interior/exterior-grade, PUR compatible adhesives, sealants, and fillers when installing Fypon products. Consult the manufacturer's recommendations for your particular climate and the substrate you are installing to.

**Cellular PVC** – Depending on product location, always use interior/exterior-grade, PVC compatible adhesives, sealants, and fillers when installing Fypon products. Consult the manufacturer's recommendations for your particular climate and the substrate you are installing to. If painting is desired, a 100% acrylic latex paint with a Light Reflectance Value (LRV) of 55% or higher must be used. **Applying paint with an LRV of 54% or lower will void the warranty.**

### IMPORTANT:

Please read these installation guidelines thoroughly before beginning installation. Please note that these guidelines are provided only to assist with the installation of Fypon moulding and millwork products. Modified procedures may be required in order to meet specific situations, unique applications and local building codes. The manufacturer does not, under any circumstances, warrant the installation of its products. Be sure to wear appropriate protective clothing, gloves and safety glasses when working with any tools. Installer should check for and relocate all electrical wiring within the proposed installation area, as needed (be sure to disconnect all electric power before working with any electrical wiring and follow all applicable local electrical codes and safety procedures).