



7" PLANK QUICK START STEPS INSTALLATION GUIDE



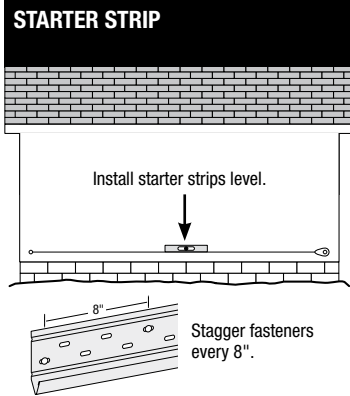
Scan here for full installation instructions.

IMPORTANT: Quick start steps only – failure to follow the full ASCEND written installation instructions will void warranty coverage, affect siding performance and may result in non-compliance with applicable building codes.

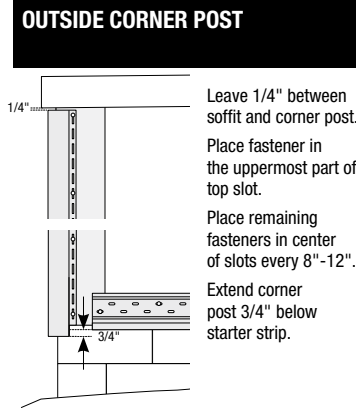
ASCEND serves as a supplemental rain screen, not a weather-resistant barrier. ASCEND must be installed over a weather-resistant barrier system in accordance with local building code.

For full installation instructions, scan QR code or visit [ASCENDCompositeCladding.com](https://ascendcladding.com).

STARTER STRIP



OUTSIDE CORNER POST



TOOLS AND BLADES

VERTICAL CUTS

Must be straight. Circular saw with a diamond blade or fine tooth (plywood) blade installed backwards, or an angle grinder with thin grinder blade, is recommended. If using tin snips; avoid closing blade completely at end of each stroke for a cleaner cut.

HORIZONTAL CUTS

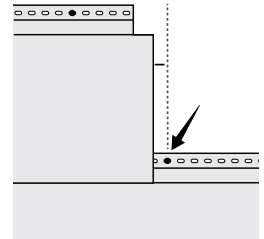
For straight cut, an angle grinder with thin grinder blade is recommended.

If using a utility knife or scoring tool; score across and through the face of plank, into foam backing, and snap in half.

ANGLE CUTS

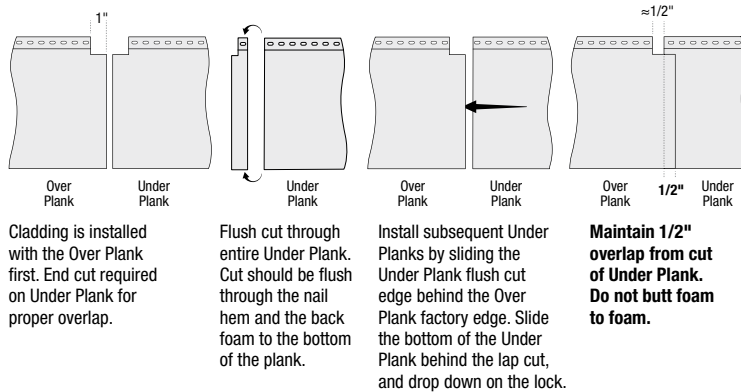
Saws, snips and grinder blades are recommended.

FASTENING – LOWER COURSE AT OVERLAP



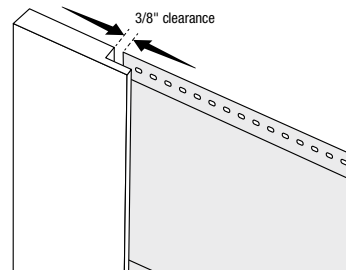
Place a fastener on lower course in nail slot closest to plank overlap.

PLANK OVERLAP

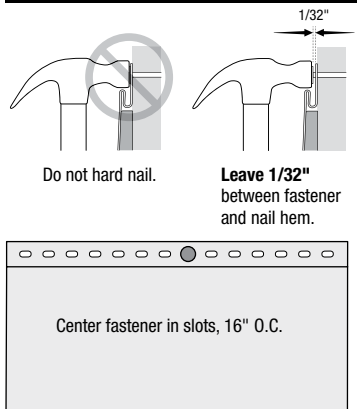


CLEARANCE BETWEEN PLANK AND RECEIVING CHANNELS

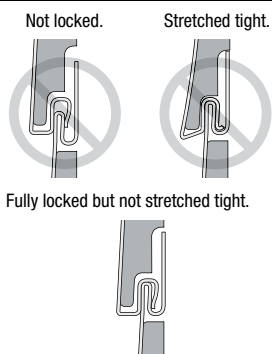
Ensure 3/8" gap between planks and all channeled accessories or obstacles. Remove end of plank not adhered to foam before inserting into channel.



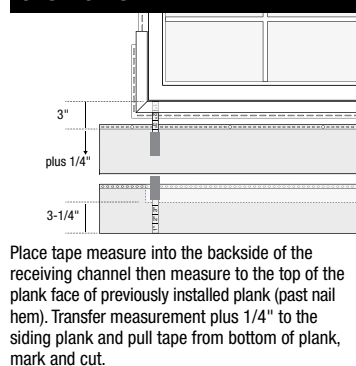
FASTENING



STACK LOCK ENGAGEMENT

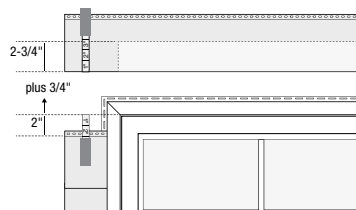


PLANK RIP CUTS BELOW OBSTACLES



PLANK RIP CUTS ABOVE OBSTACLES

Hook tape measure onto the backside of the receiving channel then measure to the top of the plank face (past nail hem) of previously installed plank. Transfer measurement plus 3/4" to the siding plank and pull tape from bottom of plank, mark and cut.



FINISH TRIM – SECURING PLANK RIP CUTS

Use anytime the top nail hem or bottom stack lock of plank has been removed.

Insert into the sill and header receiving channel.

Receiving channel is installed prior to finish trim and measurements for plank cuts.

