

Trim & Moulding Installation Guide

CUTTING

Using standard woodworking equipment. For power miter saws, carbide tooth blades are recommended. Do not use fine-tooth metal-cutting blades, do not use plywood or metal blades because the kerf of the blade is too thin and can cause heat buildup in the material. To maintain a smooth edge, support the trim across its entire length when you cut it.

DRILLING

Do not use bits made for rigid pvc, avoid heat buildup from excessive friction, and remove the shavings from the drill hole frequently.

GLUING

Temperature variation will cause pvc trim board and mouldings to expand and contract. To prevent open miter joints, we highly recommend gluing all joints using a quality instant glue or pvc cement, always test adhesive brands before using. You should use a combination of glue and mechanical fasteners, such as "glue and screw", only glue is not enough to ensure a long-term bond.

PAINTING

Green Atlantic Trim and Moulding products do not require painting but, like any pvc product, it will weather over time and painting will enhance these beautiful products and help them maintain color consistency for many years. 100% acrylic latex paint is recommended.

NAILING

Use corrosion-resistant, smooth shank, annular threaded or spiral type nails, at least 6d in size and long enough to penetrate at least 1 1/4" into the substrate, stainless steel or hot-dipped galvanized nails or screws are recommended. Nails should be placed 12" on center and, if possible, 3/4" from each edge.

CLEANING

Use a soft bristle brush and a bucket of soapy water to remove normal dirt and grime. For especially stubborn stains, use a cleaner suitable for pvc products. Your local building materials retailers can supply several different brands. Test any cleaners before use.

EXPANSION & CONTRACTION

Green Atlantic Trim and Moulding products expand and contract with changes in temperature. Properly fastening Green Atlantic Trim and Moulding material along its entire length will minimize expansion and contraction. When properly fastened, allow 1/8" per 18 feet of Green Atlantic Trim and Moulding products for expansion and contraction. Joints between pieces of Green Atlantic Trim and Moulding material should be glued to eliminate joint separation. When gaps are glued on a long run of Green Atlantic Trim and Moulding material, allow expansion and contraction space at the ends of the run. Green Atlantic Trim and Moulding should be glued to a substrate and mechanically fastened to help minimize expansion and contraction. **WARNING:** Dark colors may increase movement and expansion and contraction of PVC Trim and Moulding.