

QUICK START INSTALLATION GUIDE

IMPORTANT: Failure to follow Alside written installation instructions and comply with applicable building codes may violate laws and affect siding performance and warranty coverage.

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 complete installation instructions, visit ASCENDCompositeCladding.com.

STARTER STRIP Install starter strips level. Stagger fasteners every 8".

OUTSIDE CORNER POST Leave 1/4" between soffit and corner nost Place fastener in the uppermost part of top slot. Place remaining fasteners in center of slots every 8"-12". Extend corner post 3/4" below starter strip.

TOOLS AND BLADES

VERTICAL CUTS [IMPORTANT]: Must be straight. Circular saw with a diamond blade or fine tooth (plywood) blade installed backward.

Tin snips; avoid closing blade completely at end of each stroke for a cleaner cut.

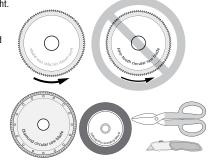
HORIZONTAL CUTS

Angle grinder with grinder blade.

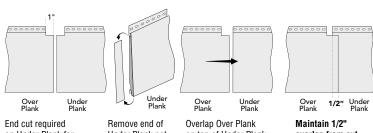
Utility knife or scoring tool; score across and through the face of plank, into foam backing, and snap in half.

ANGLE CUTS

Saws, snips and grinder blades are acceptable.



PLANK OVERLAP

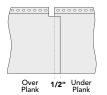


on Under Plank for proper overlap.

Under Plank not adhered to foam.



on top of Under Plank. Slightly lift the Under Plank while sliding the Over Plank 1/2" in front of the Under Plank.



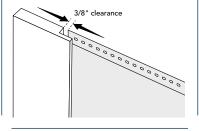
overlap from cut of Under Plank.

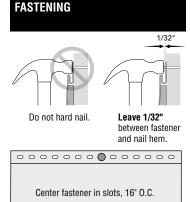
CLEARANCE BETWEEN PLANK AND RECEIVING CHANNELS

Allow gap between planks and channeled accessories:

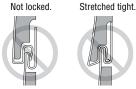
Ensure 3/8" gap between planks and all channeled accessories or obstacles.

Remove end of plank not adhered to foam before inserting into channel.



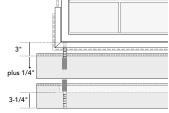


STACK LOCK ENGAGEMENT





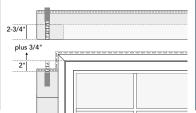
PLANK RIP CUTS BELOW OBSTACLES



Place tape measure into the backside of the receiving channel, measure to the top of the plank face of previously installed plank (past nail hem). Transfer measurement plus 1/4" to the siding plank, pull tape from bottom of plank, mark and cut

PLANK RIP CUTS ABOVE **OBSTACLES**

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

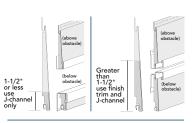


FINISH TRIM – SECURING PLANK **RIP CUTS**

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.





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