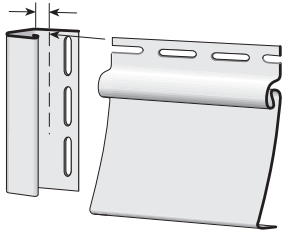


These instructions describe and illustrate the steps involved in installing CertainTeed siding and trim. Their purpose is to provide detailed information and how-to tips that will simplify the installation process. CertainTeed shall not accept any liability or responsibility under its written warranty for failure caused by application that does not meet our minimum requirements for proper installation. These requirements are outlined throughout the *CertainTeed Installation Guide (CTS205)*. Any deviations from these requirements should be approved in writing by CertainTeed Corporation.

1/4" to 3/8"



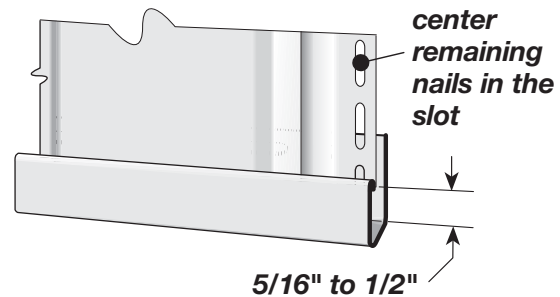
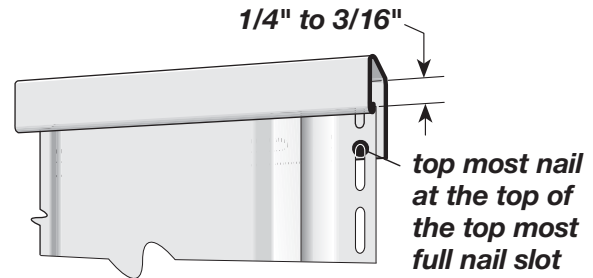
It's normal for vinyl building products to expand and contract with temperature changes. To ensure a successful siding installation, you must allow for this movement during application.

Use the following guidelines to determine the space required for expansion and contraction between siding and trim:

1/4" at both ends of the panel when the temperature is above 40° F at the time of application.

3/8" at both ends of the panel when the temperature is 40° F or below at the time of application.

In a horizontal siding installation, a vinyl panel tends to expand equally in both directions.



In a vertical siding installation, on the other hand, most of the expansion is downward. So instead of allowing equal space for expansion at both ends of a vertical panel, leave more space at the lower end: 1/3 of the total expansion is allowed at the top of a panel, and 2/3 of the total expansion is allowed at the bottom.

3/16" at the top and 5/16" at the bottom when the temperature is above 40°F.

1/4" at the top and 1/2" at the bottom when the temperature is 40° or below.

If you have any questions about installing this product, please call us at 800-233-8990.