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Company

Ipe Clip® Fastener Installation Instructions (con't)

STEP #5

Again, if pregrooved decking is not being used, use a biscuit jointer or a router to cut a slot into the edge of the next deck board above the joist. Slide this board onto the Ipe Clip® fastener protruding from the previously fastened deck board. When using Ipe Clip® ExtremeKD™ fasteners you can use the spacer tools provided to ensure that you do not crush the leg of the fastener while keeping your deck boards tight. Remove spacer tools as soon as deck board is fastened.

STEP #6

Repeat steps 2 through 5 until the last board.

Last Deck Board

STEP #7

On the last board it is necessary to fasten the outside edge by surface screws. These screws can be concealed by countersinking a 3/8" hole and using the wood plugs supplied. It is also recommended to apply a small amount of construction adhesive on the joist for the last deck board.

Recommended Method of Wood Plug Installation

(For 1st and Last Deck Board)

STEP #1 - Drill 3/8" diameter hole approximately 3/8" deep.

STEP #2 - Drill 1/8" pilot hole for the stainless trim head screw.

STEP #3 - Insert screw.

STEP #4 - Put a few drops of glue (Polyurethane based Gorilla Glue Brand recommended).

STEP #5 - Insert tapered wood plug into hole. Tap slightly with hammer.

STEP #6 - When glue is dry, knock excess plug off with a sharp chisel. Sand smooth so that plug is flush with deck surface. A round, random orbit sander with 80 grit sand paper works best.

Helpful Installation Tips

Pre-grooved decking is now available from many decking suppliers. This eliminates the need to cut slots above each joist.

If the fastener is tipping down when screw is installed, making the next board difficult to install, then stand the screw more vertical. The screw should be installed at approximately a 30° to 45° angle.

A "BoWrench" is useful to straighten deck boards and maintain consistent joint spacing.

Do not over tighten screws. They should be flush or slightly above the surface of the Ipe Clip® fastener.

Assure that wood decking has been acclimated to your climate before installing deck boards. For most decking, one week on the job site should be sufficient to prevent deck boards from excessive shrinkage.

Use only the stainless fasteners provided as other metals may stain your decking.

Coat decking with proper deck finish after installation to reduce any wood shrinkage or movement.

Use an end wax on end grain cuts to help prevent checking.

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