

Exterior Moulding Installation

Tools and Materials Needed

- Exterior mouldings
- Measuring tape and pencil
- Saw with mitre box or electric mitre saw
- Construction adhesive (see below)
- Caulk/sealant (exterior grade)
- Screws and plugs (if additional fixing required)
- Spirit level
- Drill (if using screws)
- Exterior paint (water-based acrylic)



Recommended adhesives

Step-by-Step Installation Guide

1. Prepare the Surface

Ensure the wall surface is clean, dry, and free from dust or loose material. Remove any obstacles or old mouldings. The surface should be flat and solid.

2. Measure and Cut

Measure the installation area carefully. Cut mouldings to required lengths using a saw and mitre box for angled corners. For straight cuts, mark clearly and cut with a saw.



3. Trial Fit

Position the mouldings temporarily to check fit. Mark their position on the wall. Use a spirit level to ensure they're perfectly horizontal or vertical as required.

4. Apply Adhesive

Apply construction adhesive to the back of the moulding in a zigzag pattern, ensuring good coverage particularly at the edges.



5. Fix to Wall

Press the moulding firmly against the wall in the marked position. Hold in place for several minutes to allow initial bonding. For heavier mouldings or when fixing to challenging surfaces, supplement with screws (pre-drill the moulding and wall, insert wall plugs, then fix with screws).



6. Seal Joints and Edges

Apply exterior-grade caulk/sealant along all edges of the moulding where it meets the wall and between adjoining pieces. This creates a watertight seal to prevent moisture infiltration.

7. Paint

Once adhesive and sealant are fully cured (check manufacturer recommendations, typically 24-48 hours), apply exterior-grade acrylic paint. Two coats are usually recommended for optimal protection and appearance.

Weather Protection Tips

- **Choose Quality Paint:** Use high-quality exterior acrylic paint that offers UV protection and weather resistance.
- **Regular Maintenance:** Inspect mouldings annually for cracks or damage. Promptly repair and repaint as needed.
- **Water Runoff:** Ensure design allows for water runoff rather than collection on horizontal surfaces.
- **Additional Protection:** Consider applying a clear weather sealant over painted mouldings for extra protection in harsh climates.

Important Notes

- Our exterior mouldings are designed for decorative purposes and should not be used for structural applications.
- Always follow local building codes and regulations for exterior modifications.
- Installation is best performed in dry conditions with temperatures between 10-25°C.
- Allow sufficient curing time for adhesives and paints before exposure to rain or extreme weather.

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