INSTALLATION MANUAL

for DuPont™ ArmorWall™ System





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DuPont™ ArmorWall™ Plus Fire-Rated (FR) Structural Insulated Sheathing (SIS) is an ICC listed, high strength, fire-resistant exterior wall sheathing product, commonly referred to as a Structural Insulated Sheathing (SIS) panel. Combining the best traits of Magnesium Oxide (MgO) and polyurethane insulation, it's patented Fusion Technology fuses Magnesium Oxide (MgO) sheathing onto the exterior face of the panels in order to gain high strength and durability not commonly found today in traditional building enclosure products. This innovation allows the designer to re-implement legacy design or frees them to wider creativity while maintaining wall construction speed, efficiency, and code compliance. Through rigorous testing, ArmorWallM Plus FR SIS is able to help bridge the gap commonly found in keeping with continuous insulation (ci) compliance.



Passes NFPA 285 Testing

Significant fire resistance of the ArmorWall(TM) Plus FR SIS allows many diverse assemblies with combustible and non-combustible claddings to successfully pass the NFPA 285 test criteria as required by Chapter 26 of the IBC. See our ICC-ES ESL 1442 and associated engineering judgment letters for additional information.

What is ArmorWall™ Plus?



Continuous Insulation

Air-Resistive Barrier

need for additional materials.

Has a high-performance, poured polyurethane insulation layer fused to the sheathing layer, which provides an easy way to comply with continuous insulation (ci) requirements in building codes. The thermal layer is offered in three standard thicknesses and R-Values.



Structural Sheathing + Cladding Support

With its ability to move the stud face to the exterior face of the sheathing, ArmorWall™ Plus FR SIS has been tested to support loads equivalent to most building cladding finishes, with minimal creep while under load.



Water-Resistive Barrier

ArmorWall™ Plus FR SIS passes ASTM E331 water penetration resistance at 15 PSF for 15 minutes and complies with the International Building Code (IBC) for water-resistive barriers. Once the roof water protection is in place and sheathing fasteners and seams have been sealed, the exterior walls are considered weathered-in and dried-in and interior construction may commence



Once properly sealed using DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ FJ Sealant at all seams and sheathing fasteners, ArmorWall™ Plus FR SIS meets the IBC and ASTM E283 requirements for an air barrier assembly without the



Panelization

ArmorWall™ Plus FR SIS offers a single pre-fabricated system that can be delivered on-site and installed in days, not weeks. This reduces the common stresses of factory-built wall assembly manufacturing, including movement within the facility, deflection during transportation, and racking during wall erection

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Brief Introduction to the ArmorWall™ System Components



ARMORBOARD PLUS FIRE-RATED STRUCTURAL SHEATHING **RETURN**

ArmorBoard Plus Returns are a 1/2" Magnesium Oxide (MgO) board product utilized in punched opening applications, or where field returns vary from standard provided sizes. ArmorBoard Plus Returns are offered in 8-0' lengths, with widths to match the depth of the assembly.

B ARMORSEAL PLUS COATING

ArmorSeal Plus Coating is a single-component air and water-resistive barrier providing protection behind wall claddings such as brick, siding, metal panels and stucco. Utilizing the liquid-applied sealant or coatings allows for field-applied touch-ups on panel joints and seams when used in conjunction with a mesh reinforcement product.

DUPONT™ LIQUIDARMOR™ FJ SEALANT

LiquidArmor™ FJ is a moisture-cured, silyl-terminated polyether (STPE) sealant utilized at panel edges, seams, and fastener heads to complete the water-resistant and flashing layer within the DuPonf™ ArmorWall™ System. LiquidArmor™ FJ comes as individual 20 ounce sausages of dark grey, smooth sealant in a 16-pack box.

D DUPONT™ DURAGARD™ WD SELF-ADHERED FLASHING TAPE

DuPont™ DuraGard™ WD Self-Adhered Flashing Tape is a primer-less window and door rough opening flashing which helps maintain the integrity of air and water-resistive barrier assemblies.

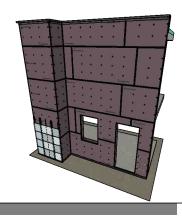
(E) ARMORSEAL SEALANT (Trowel Grade)

ArmorSeal Sealant (Trowel Grade) is a moisture-cured, polyether sealant utilized in rough opening sills, at panel edges, seams, and fastener heads to complete the water-resistant and flashing layer of the DuPont™ ArmorWall™ System. The Trowel Grade variant comes in a 2 gallon pail and is a gray, textured sealant.

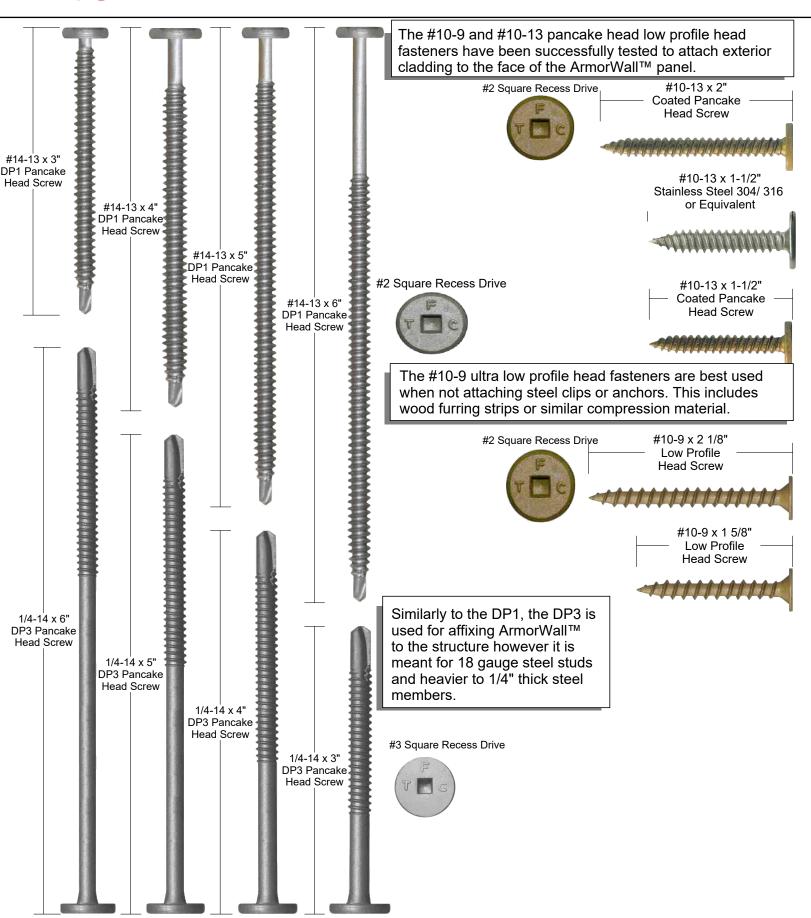
ARMORWALL™ SHEATHING SCREWS

DuPont™ ArmorWall™ System panels are installed with tested and approved coated sheathing screws that meet rigorous standards for salt water exposure, moisture degradation, and structural performance. We provide sheathing screws in bulk quantity to help ensure that the job is installed to its performance standards, while passing along the bulk purchase discount of the fasteners to the installation contractor.

G ARMORWALL™ CLADDING ATTACHMENT SCREWS
Cladding attachment to DuPont™ ArmorWall™ System
panels should be done utilizing a DuPont approved cladding attachment fastener of appropriate length to penetrate 1/2 inch beyond the MgO layer of the ArmorWall™ System panels. DuPont tested and approved cladding attachment fasteners allows the materials will remain in place for many years to come.







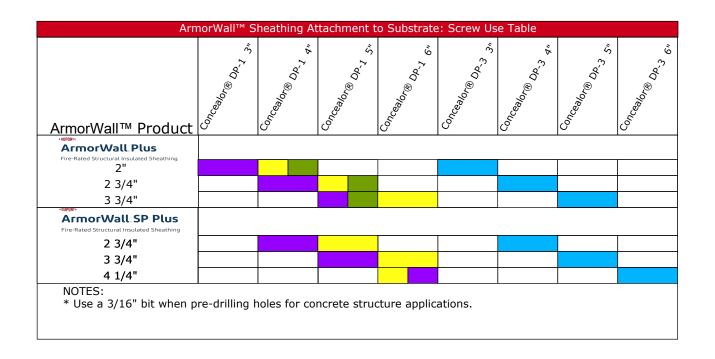


ArmorWall™ Cladding Attachment: Screw Use Table				
Cladding Material Connection Type	Conceator® ULA	Con _{ceal} or® p _{ancare} Head	Stamess Steel 304/316	
RainScreen Clips (metal)				
RainScreen Clips (composite)				
Metal Stand-off Channels				
Wood Furring Strips				
Window/Door Returns				
ArmorBoard				

^{*}Do NOT use impact drivers to install cladding attachments to ArmorWall™ panels. Use torque control variable speed driver. Adjust and lower the torque so that the cladding fasteners do NOT spin.

Fastener Related Reports & Listings				
Report Name	Notes			
ICC ESL-1543	Cladding structural attachment tables			
ICC ESL-1536	ASTM E72 Ra	acking/Shear		
ICC ESL-1306	ASTM E330 Tranverse Loading/Wind Pressure			
Structure Key				
Concrete				
Steel /Concrete				
Wood / Steel Studs (18 gauge				
Steel Studs (18 gauge* and heavier to 1/4" Steel)				
Wood				

^{*}Installers may use either DP1 or DP3 screws when using 18 gauge steel.





Delivery, Storage, and Handling

Delivery

ArmorWall™ products are delivered in wrapped, protected 48'x96"x60"pallets via dry van or flatbed. ArmorWall™ panels vary in weight, an approximate pallet weight of 3,000 pounds can be used for load calculations.

Delivery locations with dock access will receive dry vans that can be unloaded with a drive-in forklift. Dry vans contain pallets loaded lengthwise or widthwise and require fork extensions to unload.

Delivery locations without dock access, such as project sites, will receive fully tarped flat beds on a specialty basis.



FLATBED TRUCK CAPACITIES

Flat beds are 48'-53' long with all side access. Capacity of 10-12 pallets. Flat bed transportation must use rigid corner protectors.



Contractors Tip: DuPont™ ArmorWall™ Plus

ArmorWall™ Thickness	Panels per Truck	Coverage in Square Feet
2" ArmorWall™ (R10)	360	11,520
2 3/4" ArmorWall™ (R15)	264	8,448
3 3/4" ArmorWall™ (R21)	192	6,144

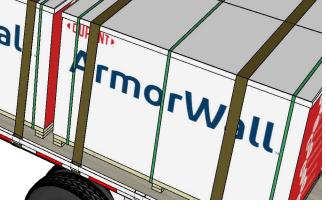


Dry vans are 53' long with 102" wide door openings. Capacity of 12 pallets.



Contractors Tip: DuPont™ ArmorWall™ SP Plus

ArmorWall™ Thickness	Panels per Truck	Coverage in Square Feet
2 3/4" ArmorWall™ (R11)	216	6,912
3 3/4" ArmorWall™ (R17)	192	6,144
4 1/4" ArmorWall™ (R21)	168	5,376



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Storage

ArmorWall™ should be stored off the ground and in original shipment condition until ready for installation. Do not stack pallets. Pallets should be covered by a breathable tarp while at the project site. Avoid ground contact or continuous exposure to moisture and direct sunlight.

Handling

ArmorWall™ can be cut and installed using standard job site hand tools. Some skinning and direct coloration of the insulation edges is normal if exposed to UV light prior to installation; however, this does not affect the performance of the panel. Some cupping of the panel is expected during shipment and can be rectified during installation by beginning installation from the center of the panel and working outward per the fastener standard of the designed application



Documentation and Personal Protective Equipment

Documentation

Always read necessary project documentation, product installation manuals, data sheets, and safety data sheets prior to commencement of work. You can find all current ArmorWall™ product information on the website www.ArmorWall.DuPont.com

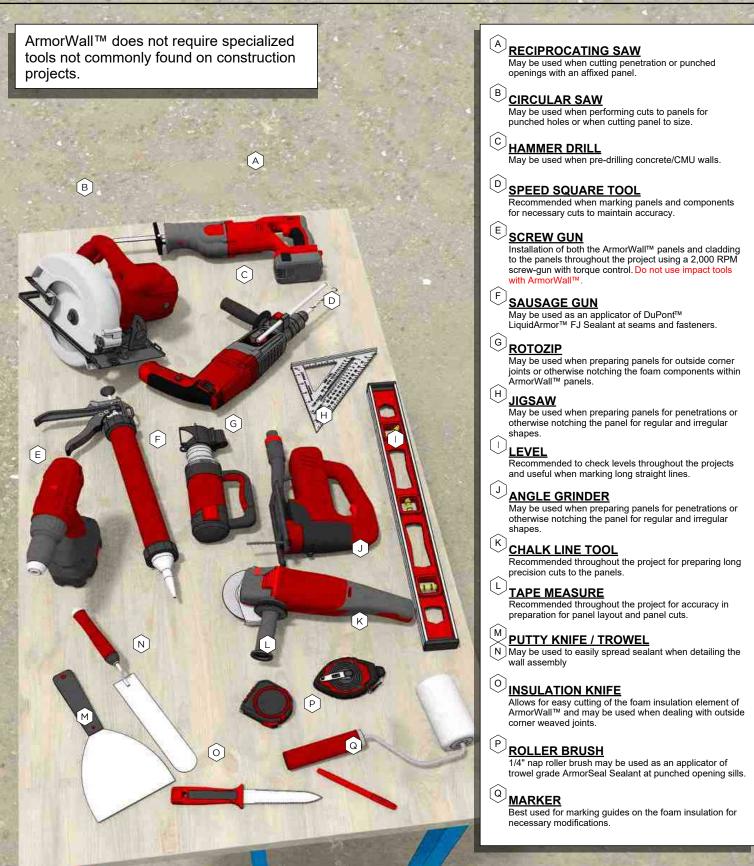
Safety & Handling

DuPont has evaluated the ArmorWall™ Plus System and a dust mask, safety glasses or goggles, and standard construction protective equipment is suitable protection. In areas with limited ventilation or for increased exposure (extensive and repeated cutting), additional PPE and respiratory protection may be warranted. Confirm project PPE requirements with the job specific hazard analysis and safety plan.





Recommended Jobsite Tools





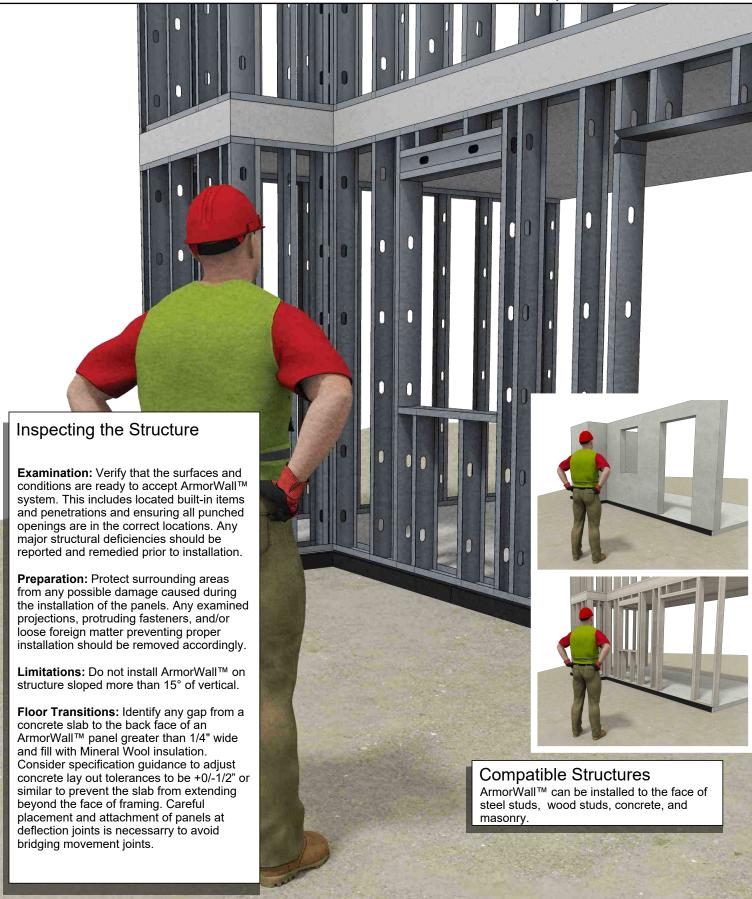
General Installation Guidelines

- 1. DuPont™ ArmorWall™ panels are designed for exterior wall application only. All ArmorWall™ system details apply to exterior wall systems designed with a continuous water drainage path to the building exterior.
- 2. DuPont approved liquid flashings and should be installed on a clean surface, free of dirt, grease, liquid, frost, or other debris that could interfere with adhesion.
- 3. Installer is responsible for system final application review and acceptance prior to application of subsequent systems. Subsequent system installers are responsible for promptly alerting ArmorWall™ system installer of any damage or ArmorWall™ System performance concerns identified during subsequent application.
- 4. Do not use impact tools with ArmorWall™.
- 5. ArmorWall™ Panels must be fastened to a minimum of two studs.
- 6. Proper sheathing attachment (center-out, or left to right) is necessary to prevent cupping/bowing.
- 7. Only use DuPont approved fasteners for ArmorWall™ Plus board AND cladding attachment. Do not use Nails. Do not use drywall screws. Do not use self-tapping screws for cladding attachment.
- 8. Install DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ FJ as soon as practical over seams, edges, and fasteners, but no later than 30 days after the ArmorWall™ panels' installation or prior to a weather/rainfall event. When estimating LiquidArmor™ FJ sealant, 1 sausage per panel is an approximate usage rate that applies only to panel joints and sheathing fastener heads. Installing estimator must determine additional sealant for rough openings, penetrations, transitions, or any additional locations requiring the use of sealant to complete the air/water barrier.
- The ArmorWall™ system is designed to be a Water Resistive Barrier and part of a building's Continuous Air Barrier 9. when properly detailed and integrated with adjacent water and air control systems. The ArmorWal™ System is designed to be covered by an exterior cladding to be protected from UV exposure and direct impact of weather or potential debris.
- 10. The installer is responsible for assessing galvanic corrosion risk when using stainless steel fasteners. Consult the DuPont Building Knowledge Center for further guidance.
- For repairs larger than 16" horizontal or vertical, ArmorWall™ replacement piece must be fastened back to the 11. studs (2 stud minimum).
- 12. Shimming for cladding attachment shall be provided with horseshoe or solid shims which provide solid bearing for the cladding rail system, the full diameter of cladding fasteners at the ArmorWall™ face, and as required to resist design loads. Cladding attachment fasteners shall fasten through the shim itself and may not cantilever through the void space of the shim. Design engineering and approvals for shimming shall be provided by the project or cladding attachment system designer of record.
- 13. Chemical compatibility and adequate adhesion confirmation is recommended prior to construction for all sealants, membranes, and other systems intended to interface with or bond to the ArmorWall™ Plus System and accessories.

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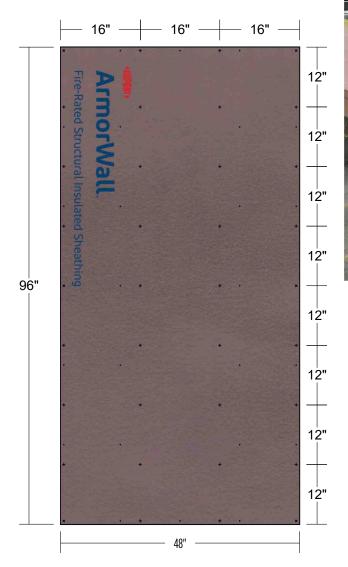


Structure Inspection Prior to Installation





Recommended Fastening Patterns





Most panels have a factory-applied fastening pattern directly on the board allowing for quicker installation in both horizontal and vertical orientations. Use the corresponding symbols to the preferred orientation. Usage in high wind zones may require alternate fastening or when appropriate panels are used as shear walls. Follow engineered requirements as necessary for the project.



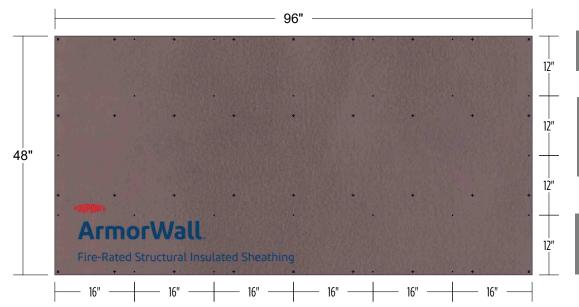
Vertical Installation Standard Fastener Position Symbol



Horizontal Installation Standard Fastener Position Symbol



Vertical and Horizontal Shared Installation Standard Fastener Position Symbol



ArmorWall™ standard panel length is 8'-0"

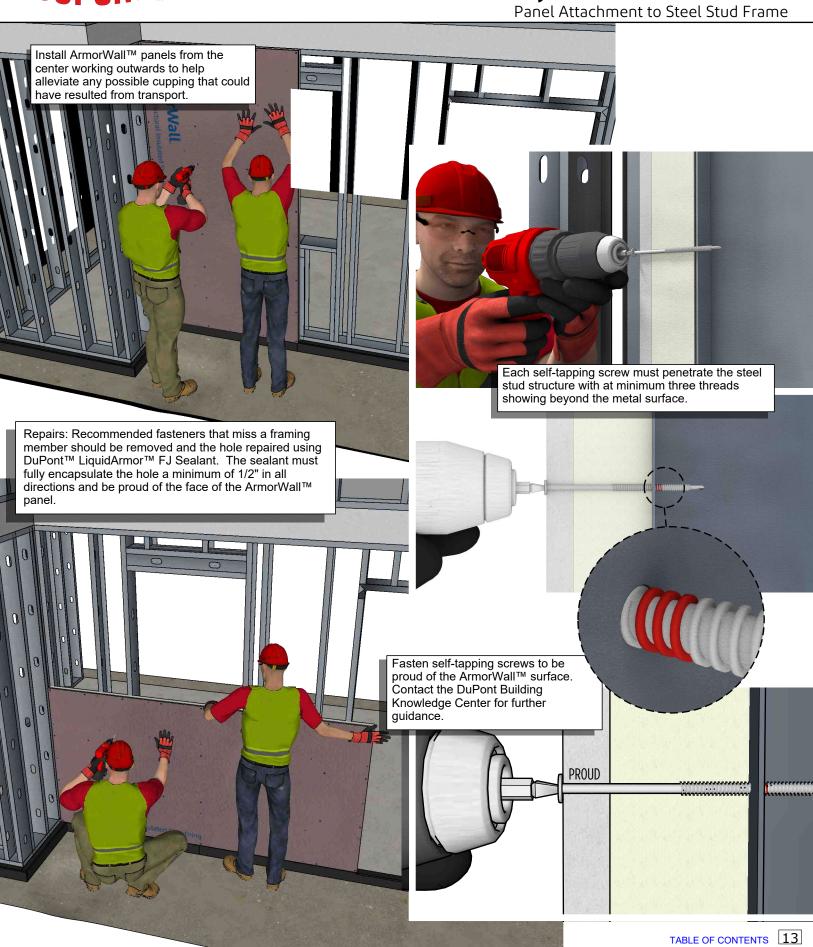
Fasteners at the perimeter should be ~3/4" from the edge of the panel. Fastener head should not span past the edge of the panel.

INSTALLATION ORIENTATION

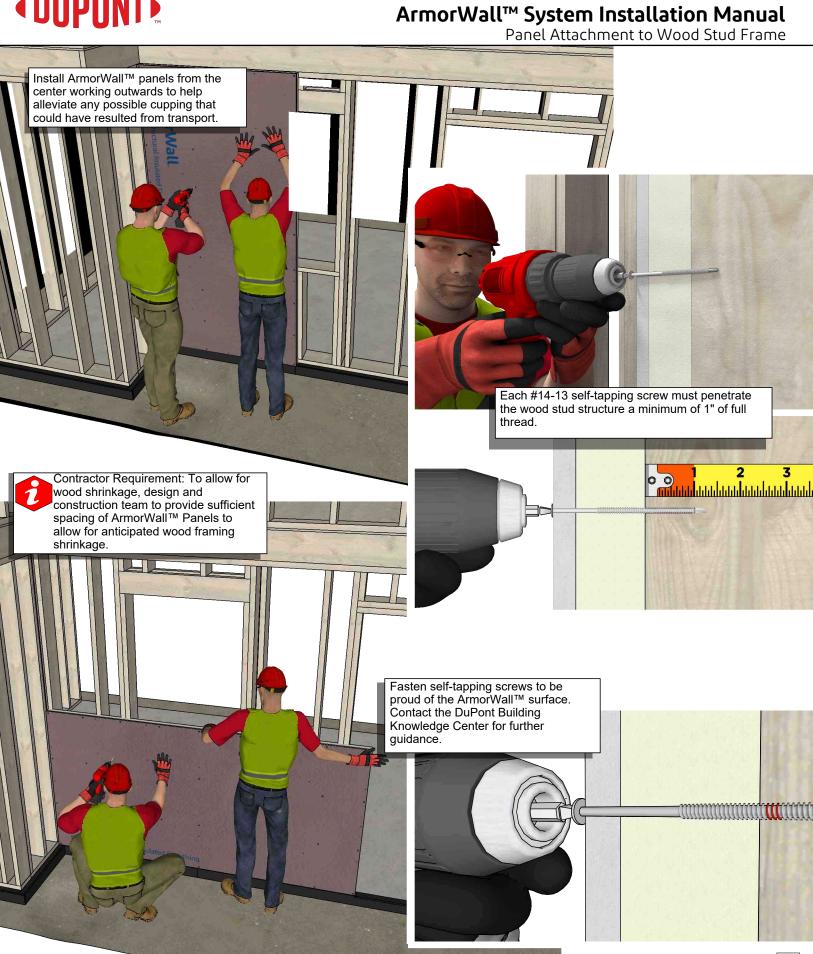
ArmorWall™ Plus and ArmorWall™ SP Plus Fire-Rated (FR) Structural Insulated Sheathing (SIS) may be installed vertically or horizontally.



ArmorWall™ System Installation Manual Panel Attachment to Steel Stud Frame

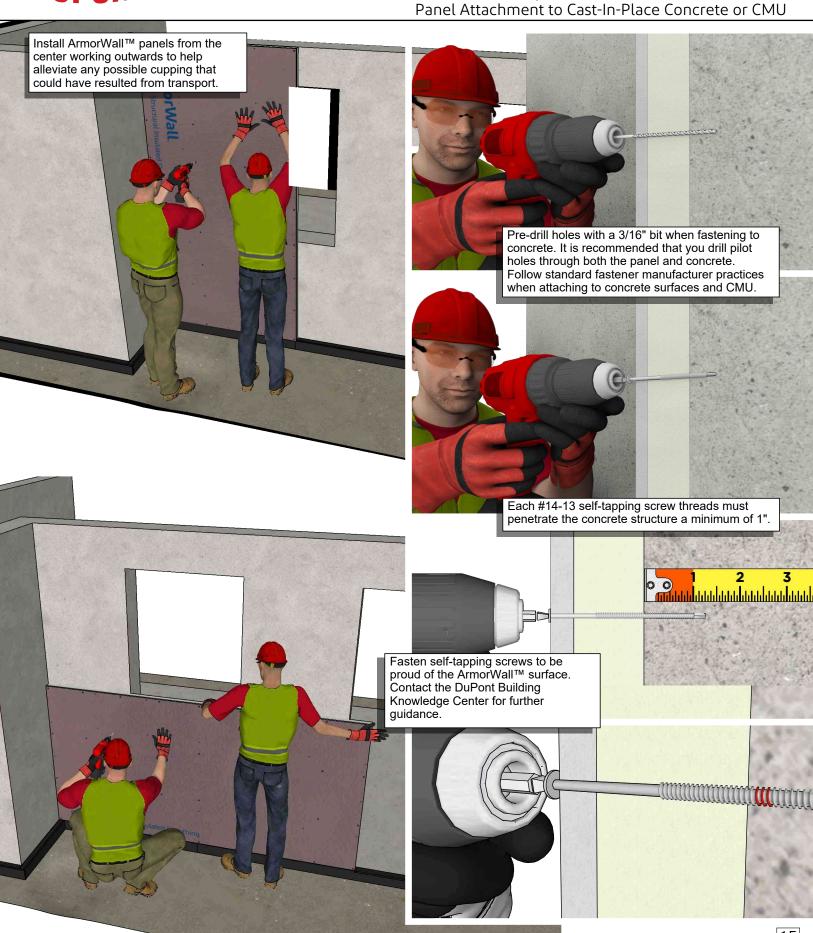




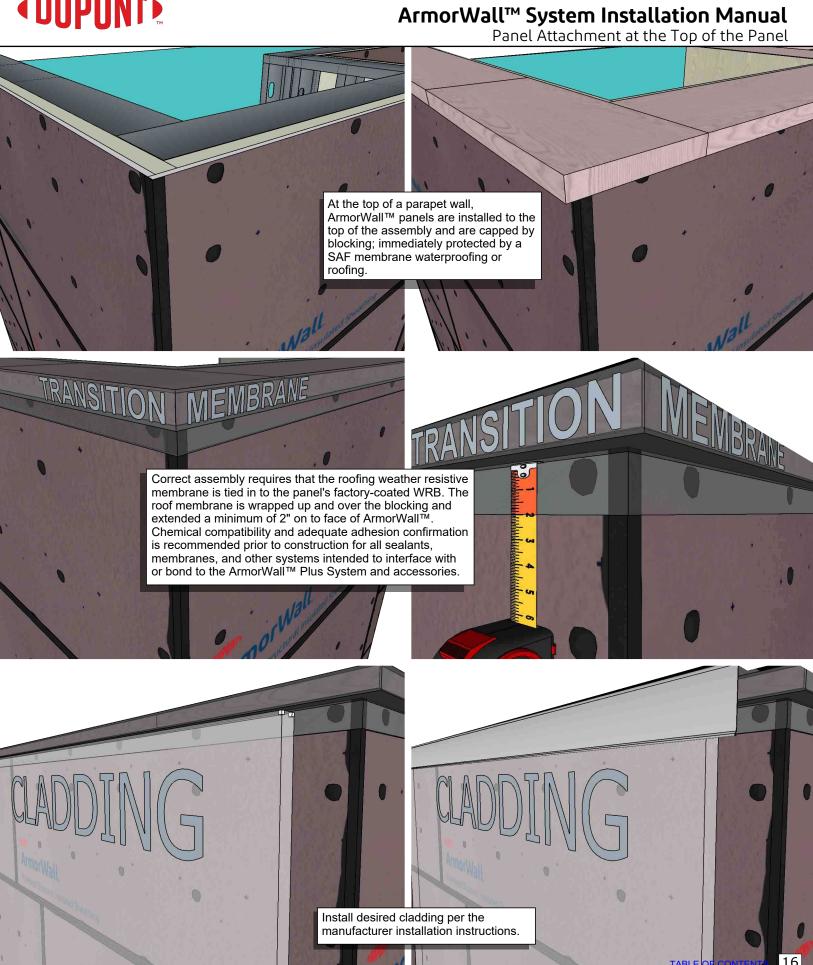




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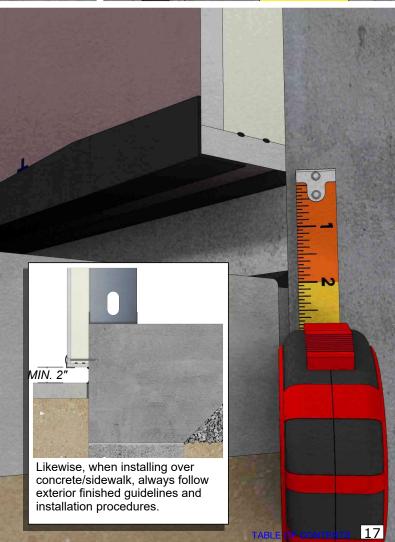




Panel Attachment at the Bottom of the Panel







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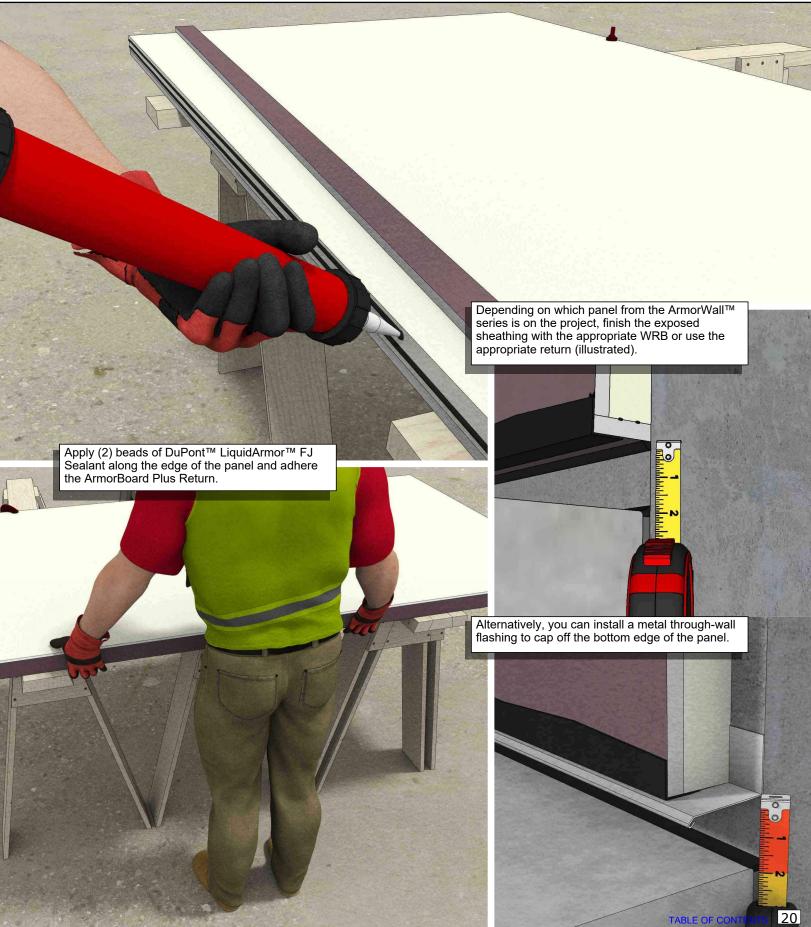
ArmorWall™ System Installation Manual
Panel Attachment at Bottom of the Panel: Transition to DuPont™ Styrofoam™ Brand XPS Styrofoa m Styrofoam™ Brand XPS Insulation is manufactured to make the transition to the above grade panels effortless as it already has built-in returns. When transitioning, you only require the typical 2" LiquidArmor™ FJ lap sealant between the panels. When installing above grade always follow exterior finish clearance guidelines and installation procedures.
Styrofoam™ Brand XPS
Insulation should be installed over LiquidArmor™ FJ after the liquid membrane has cured for a minimum of 48 hours.





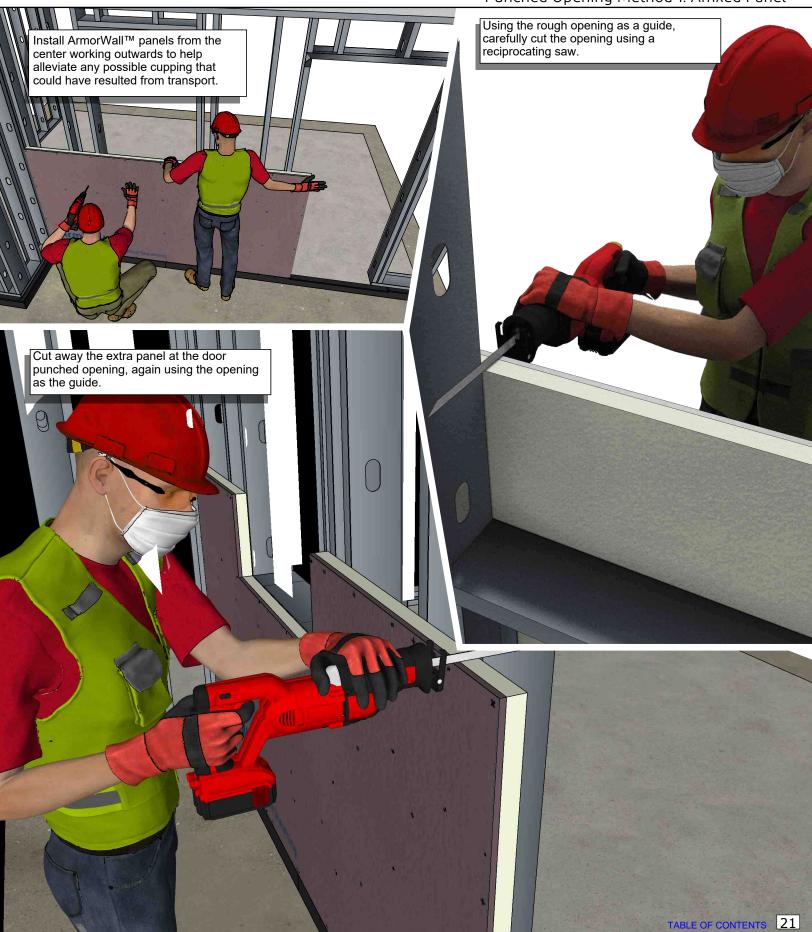


ArmorWall™ System Installation Manual Capping the Panel Edge



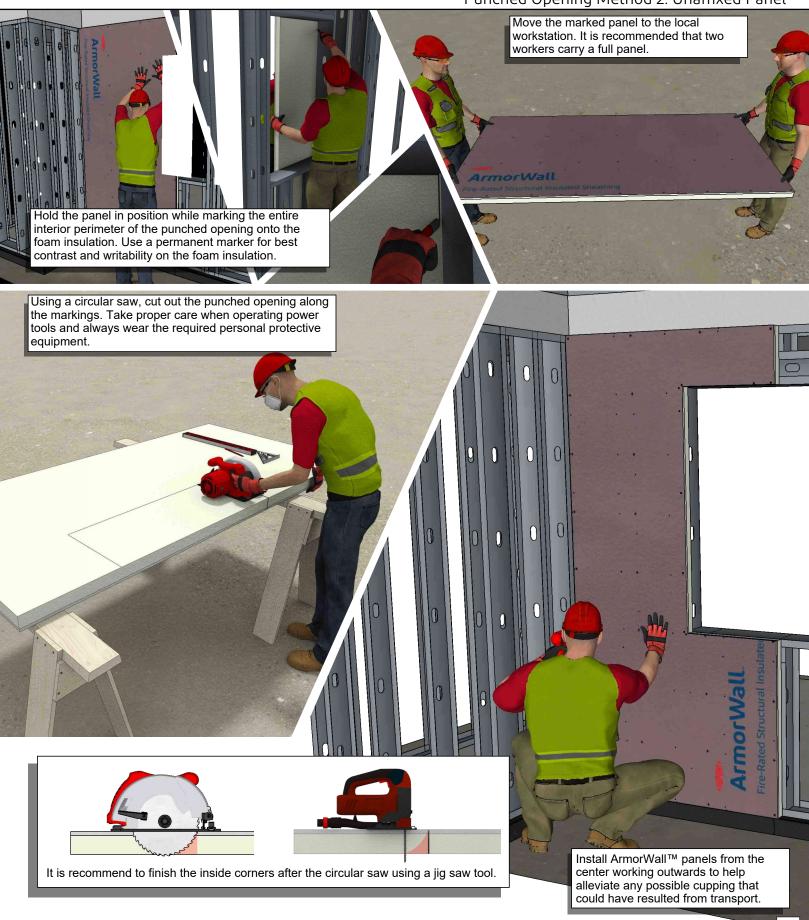


ArmorWall™ System Installation Manual Punched Opening Method 1: Affixed Panel





ArmorWall™ System Installation Manual Punched Opening Method 2: Unaffixed Panel





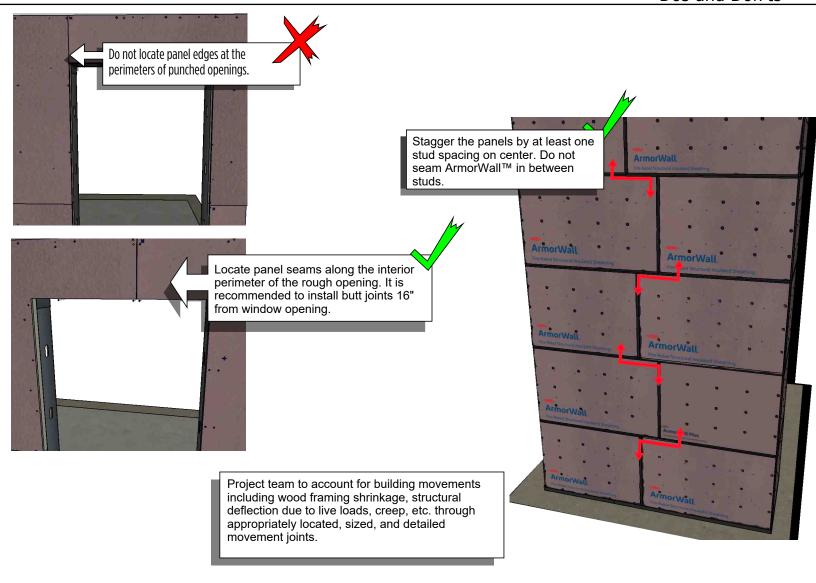
ArmorWall™ System Installation Manual Punched Opening Method 3: Measured Panel



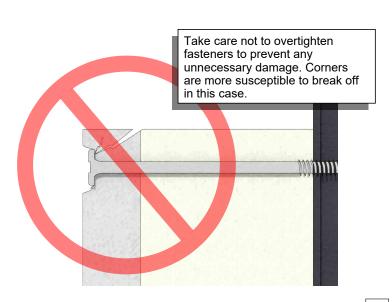
It is recommend to finish the inside corners after the circular saw using a jig saw tool.

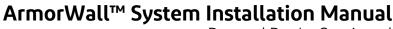


Dos and Don'ts



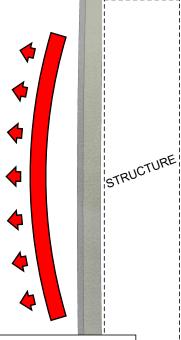




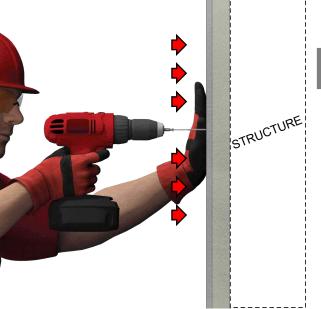


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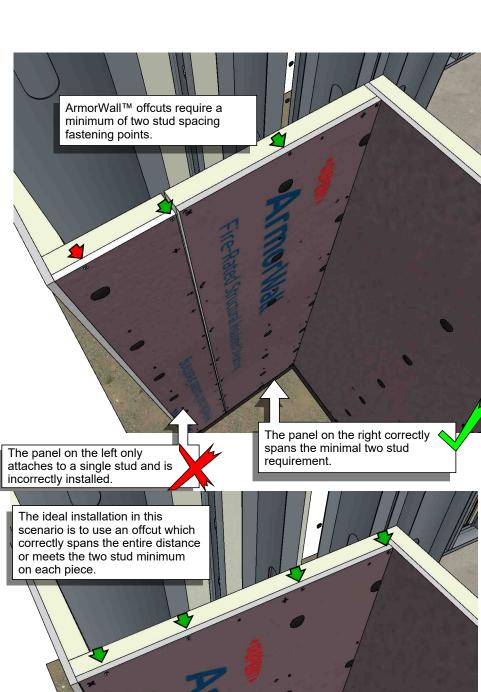




Cupping of the panel may occur from transit. Ensure panel is firmly seated to stud face prior to fastening screw as straight as possible.

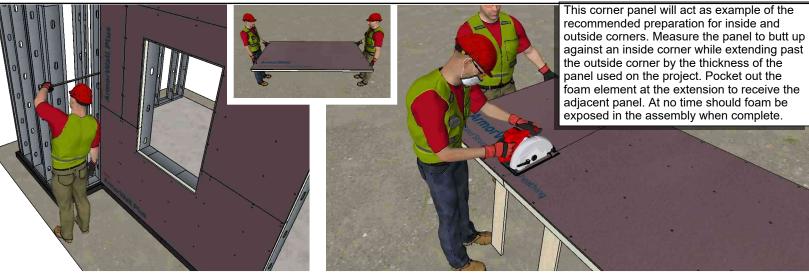


Repairs: Recommended fasteners that miss a framing member should be removed and the hole repaired using DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ FJ Sealant. The sealant must fully encapsulate the hole a minimum of 1/2" in all directions and be proud of the face of the ArmorWall™ panel.

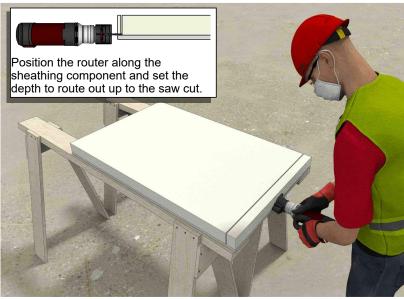


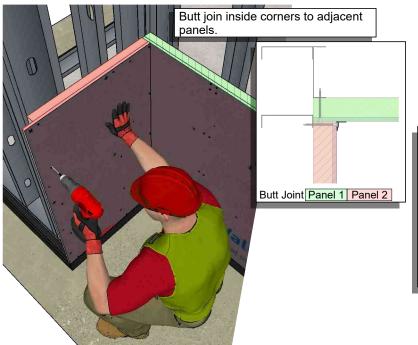


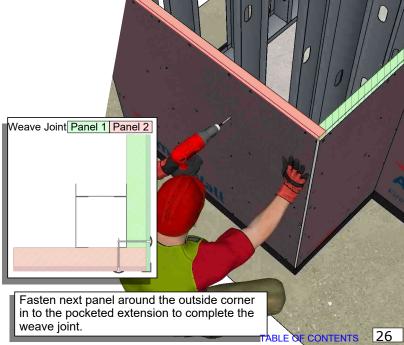
Inside and Outside Corners





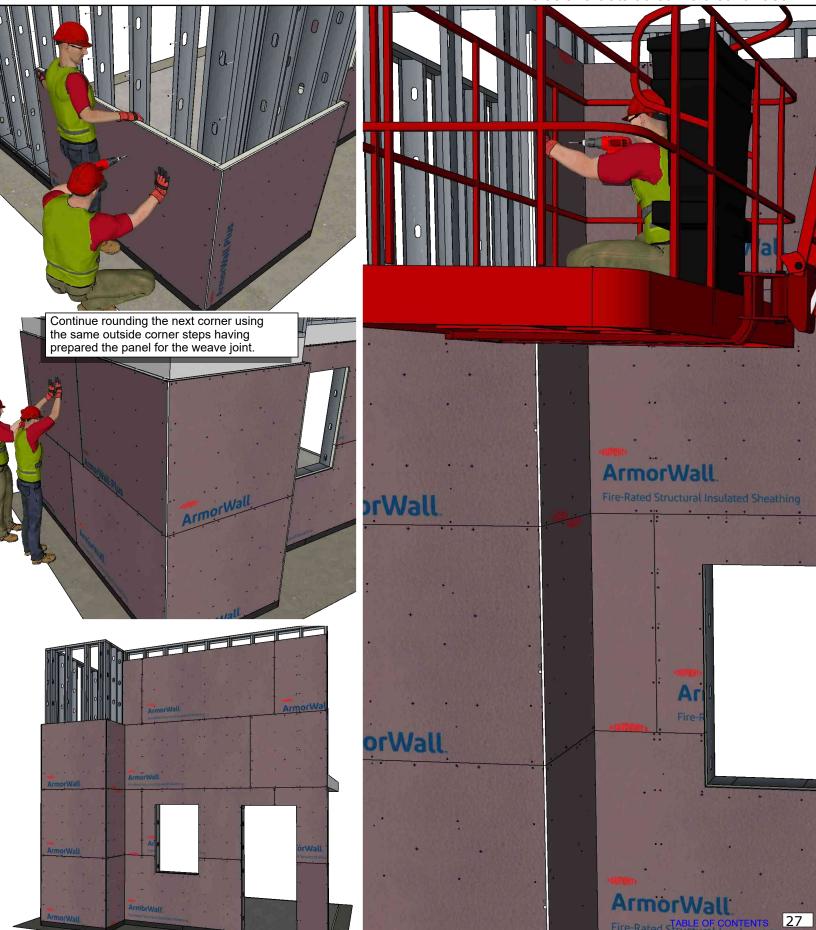




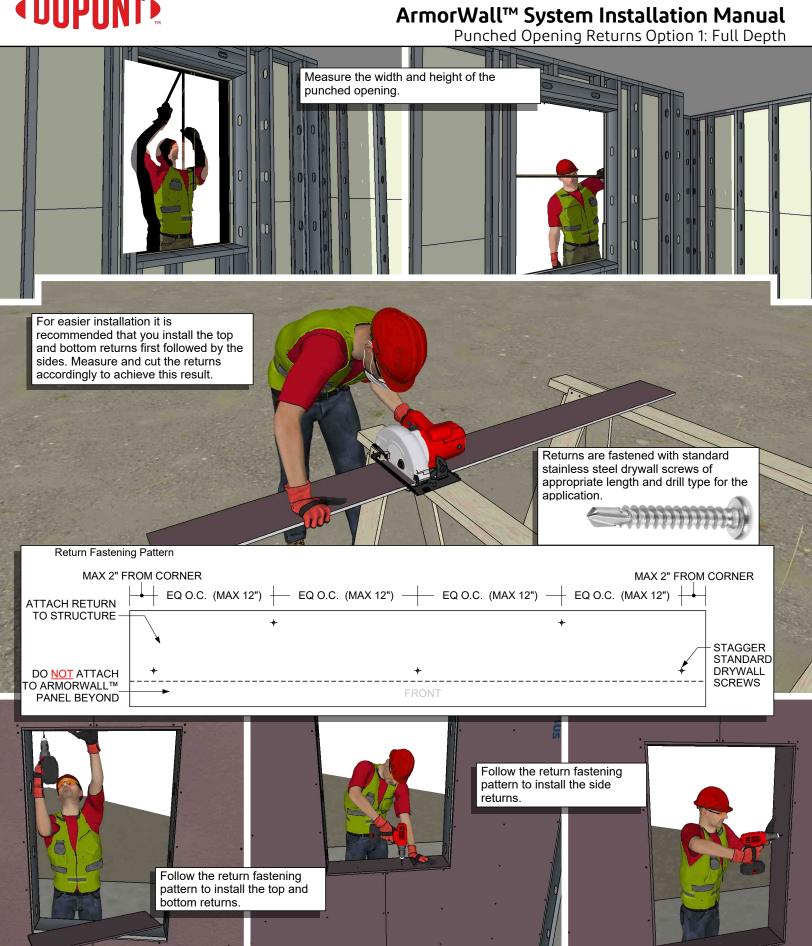




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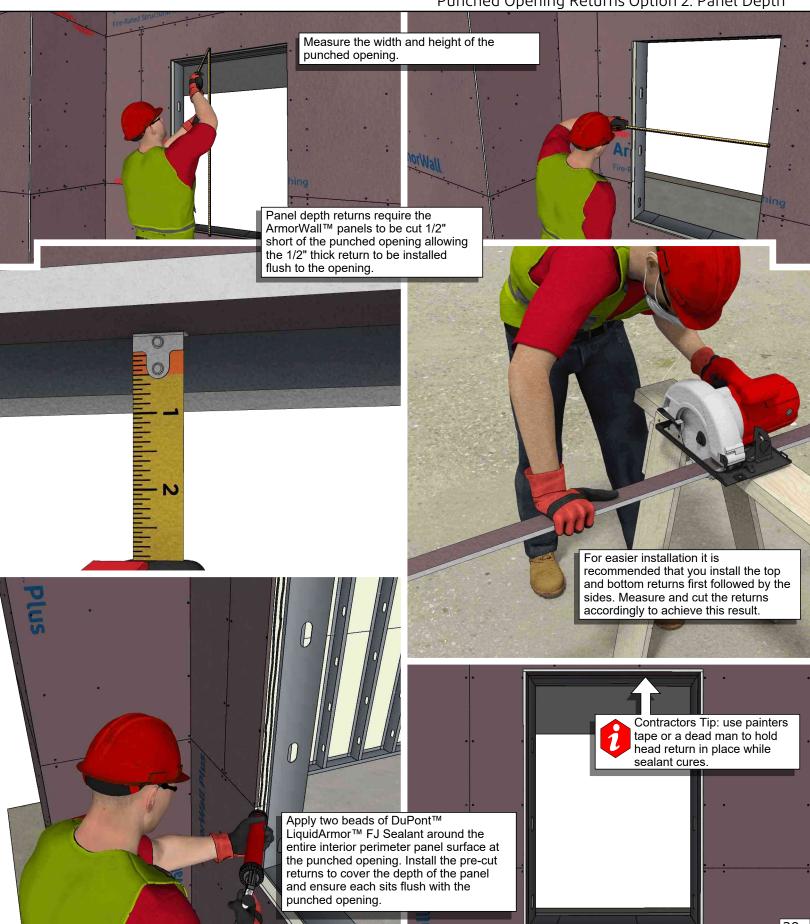




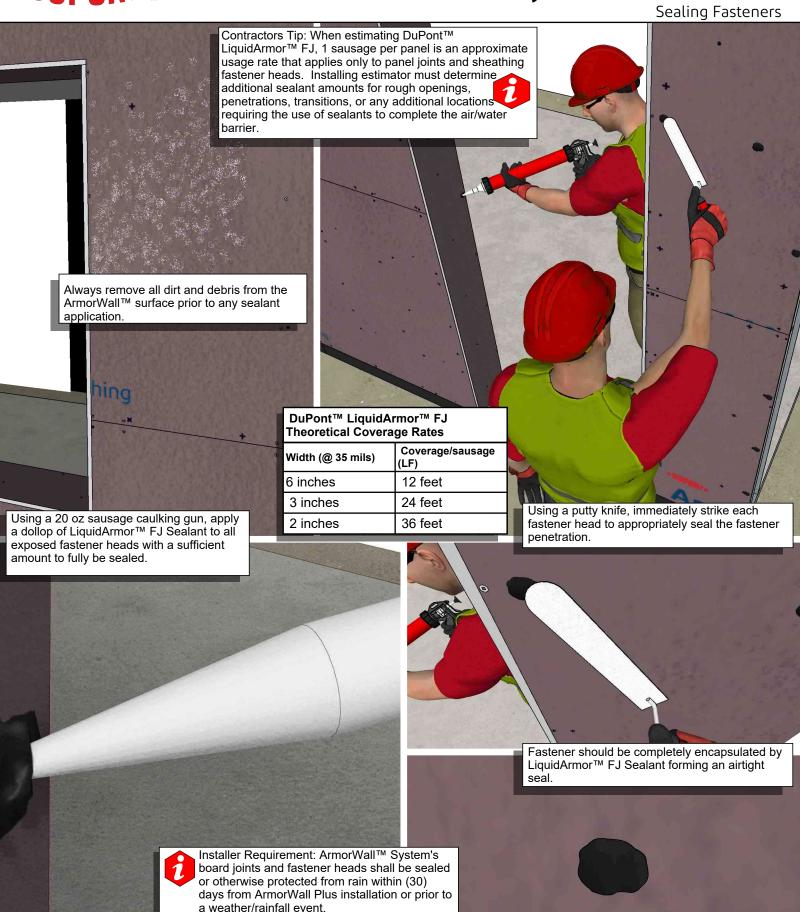




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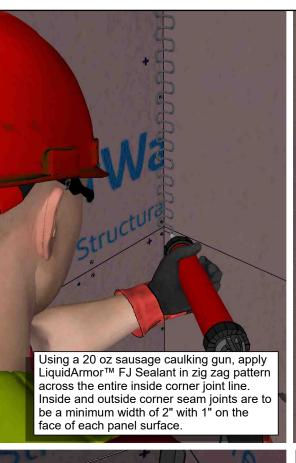


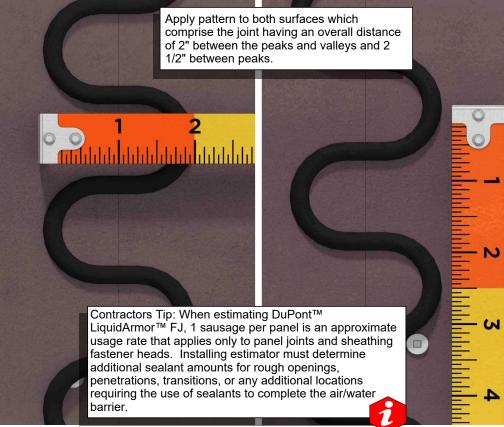




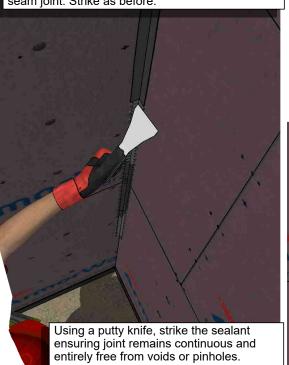


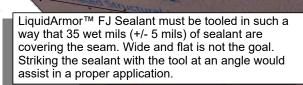
Sealing Corners and Field Seams





Using a 20 oz sausage caulking gun, apply LiquidArmor™ FJ Sealant in zig zag pattern across entire horizontal and vertical joint lines. Field seams receive 1" of continuous bead on each panel surface face to create a minimum 2" wide seam joint. Strike as before.



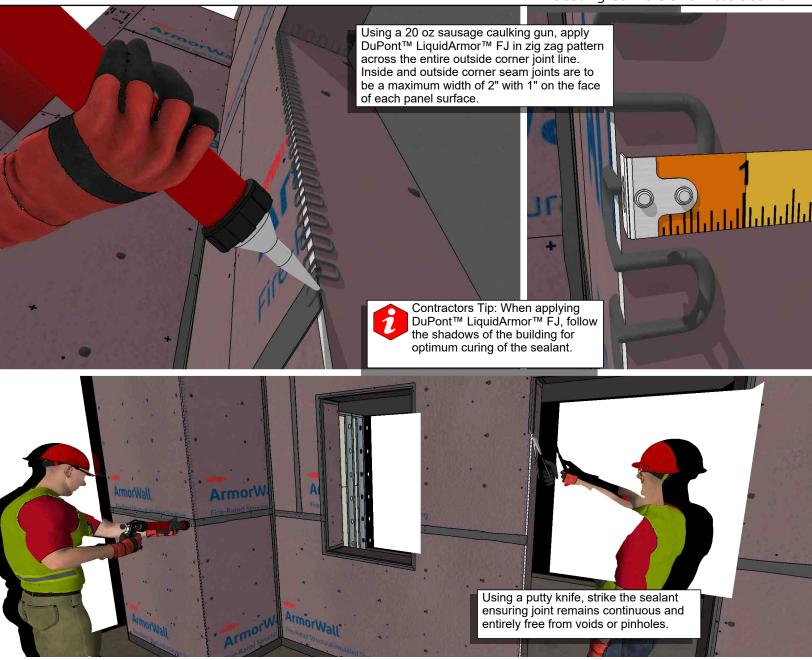




35 wet mils (+/- 5 mils)



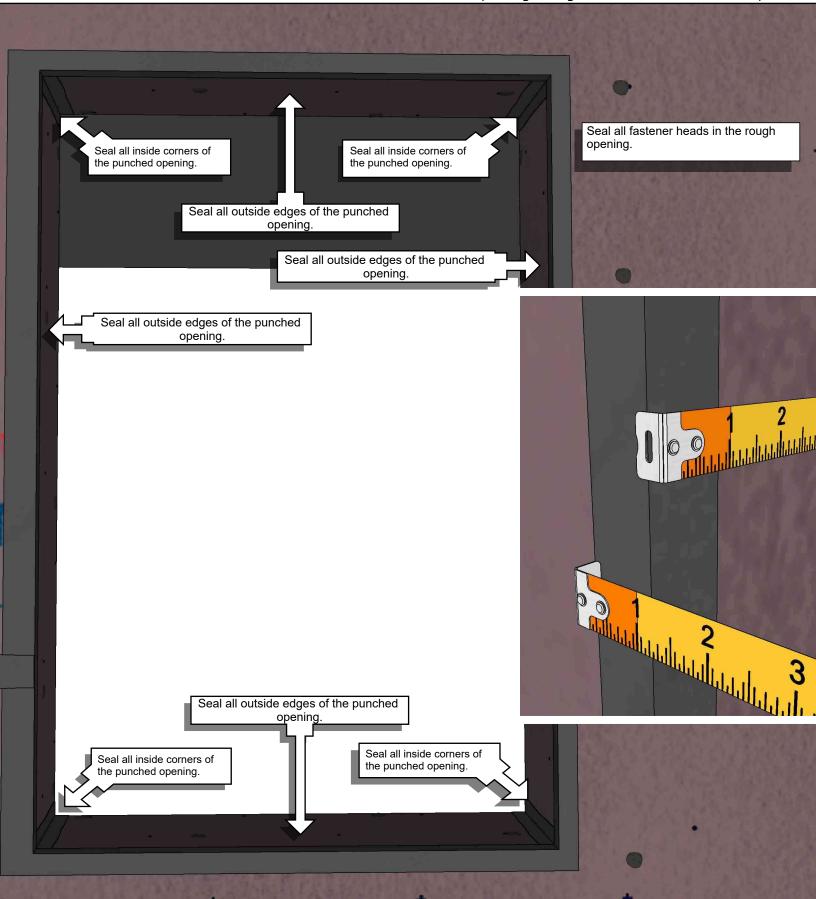
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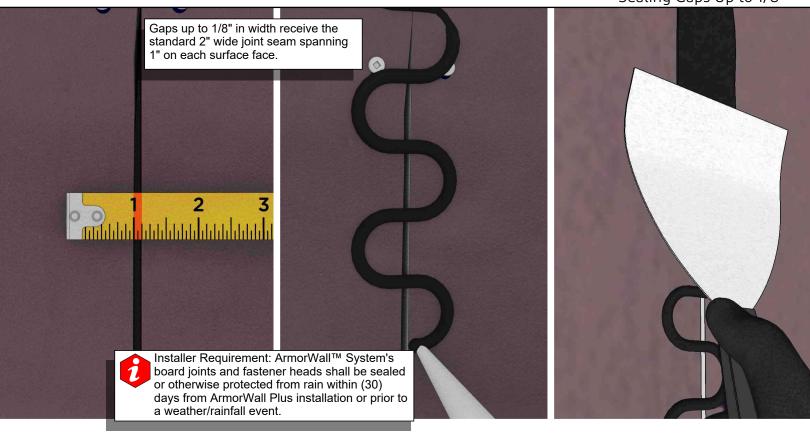


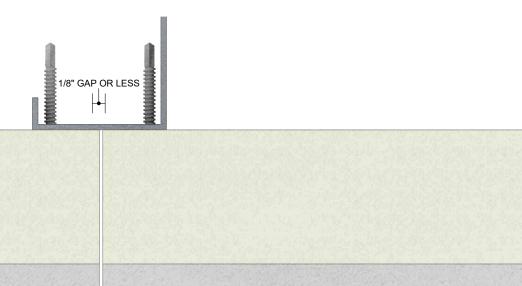
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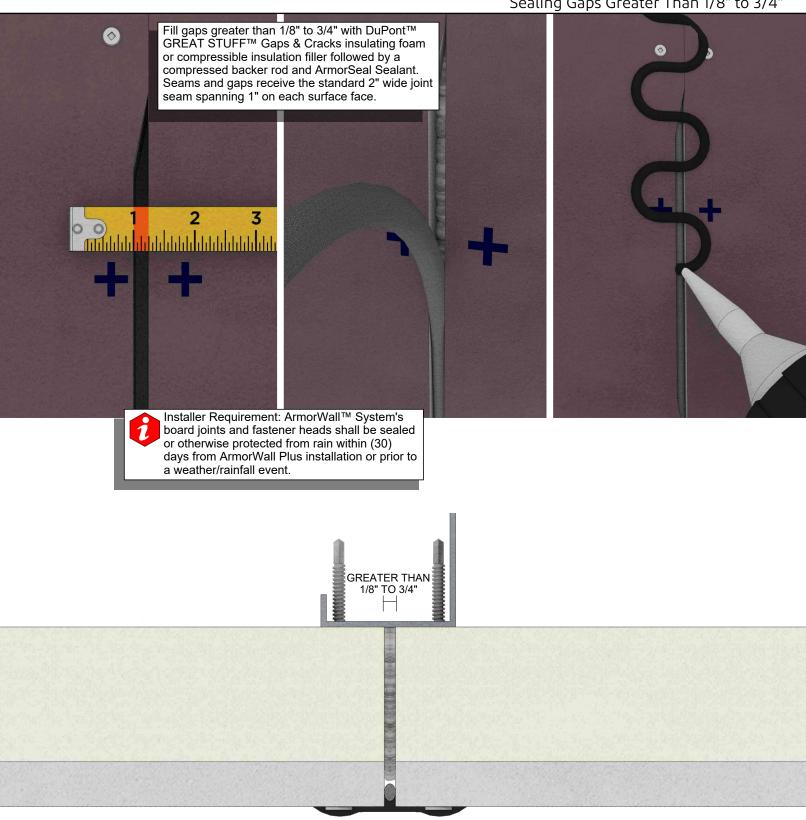
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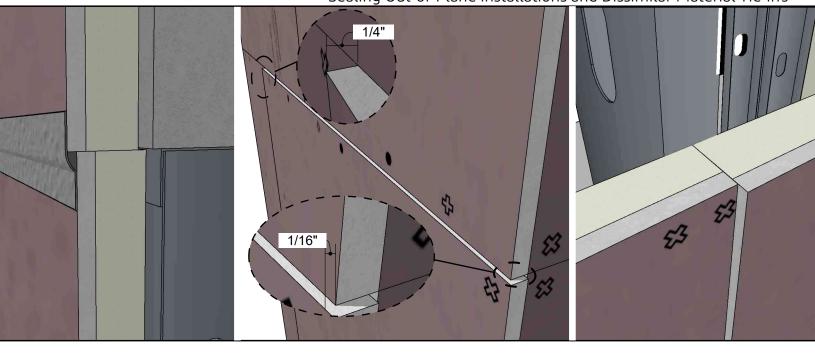


ArmorWall™ System Installation Manual Sealing Gaps Greater Than 1/8" to 3/4"





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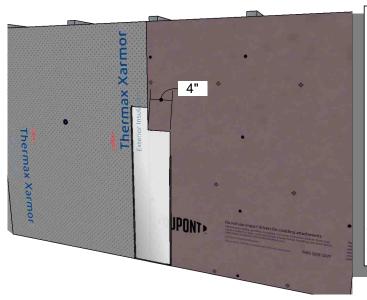


For Out-of-Plane Panels on the DuPont™ ArmorWall™ System:

ArmorWall™ System panel joints are intended to be installed with care to create a flush surface from one board to the other. Out-of-plane installations may be adjusted up to 1/8" by loosening or tightening the panel attachment fasteners provided the panel remains in contact with the framing member. Abutting ArmorWall™ System panel joints up to 1/16" out-of-plane may be covered with DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ FJ Sealant at 35 wet mils (+/- 5 mils).

ArmorWall™ System Panel joints greater than 1/16" out-of-plane: Apply a filet bead of LiquidArmor™ FJ Sealant and strike the sealant to approximately 1/2" wide and the height of the panel offset prior to additional sealant. Apply additional LiquidArmor™ FJ Sealant and maintain a minimum of 50 wet mils (+/-5 mils) over the required joint application. Installer shall ensure 50 wet mils (+/- 5 mils) is applied along the entire joint, including the highest point of the out-of-plane

ArmorWall™ System Panel joints greater than 1/4" out-of-plane: Apply a flexible expansion seal across the out-of-plane joint (see page 36).



For ArmorWall™ Panel Tie-ins with Dissimilar Materials:

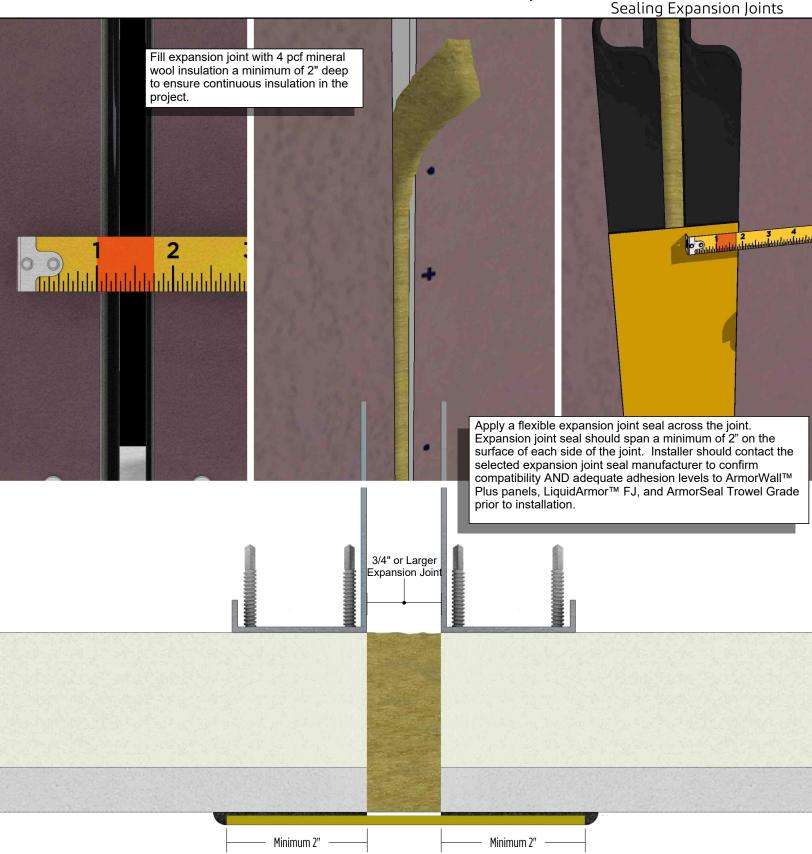
Framed walls that include ArmorWall™ System panels may experience differing levels of movement versus abutting dissimilar materials such as concrete/CMU block or penetrating steel. The design professional is ultimately responsible for determining whether this type of joint needs to be designed for a movement joint or an expansion joint. For joints where differential movement is not expected one of the following methods of treating a dissimilar material joint:

DuPont™ DuraGard™ CM Flashing. DuraGard™ CM Flashing must adhere a minimum of 2-inches onto adjacent dissimilar material and a minimum of 4 inches onto the ArmorWall™ System panels. Installer shall use a spray adhesive/primer before adhering DuraGard™ CM Flashing onto substrates such as concrete, CMU block, and exterior glass-fiber faced gypsum board. DuraGard™ CM Flashing may NOT be used when this type of joint is skyward (upward) facing.

Apply a flexible expansion seal across the dissimilar material joint (see page 36). Installer should verify the correct installation procedure for both substrates with the flexible expansion joint manufacturer.

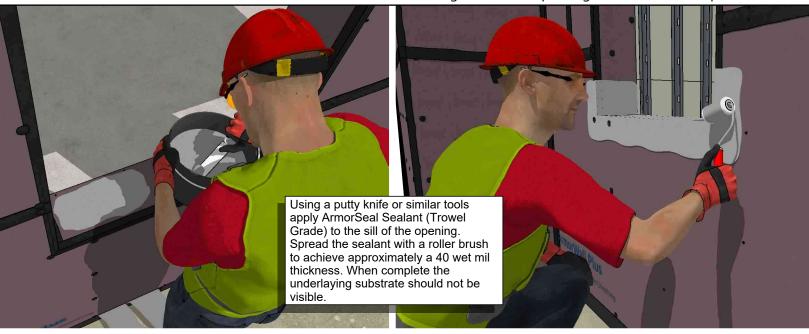


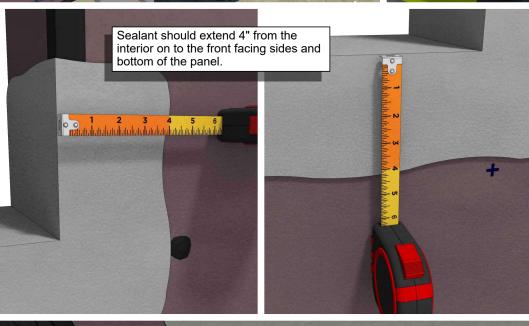
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ArmorWall™ System Installation Manual Sealing Punched Opening Sill With Full Depth Return





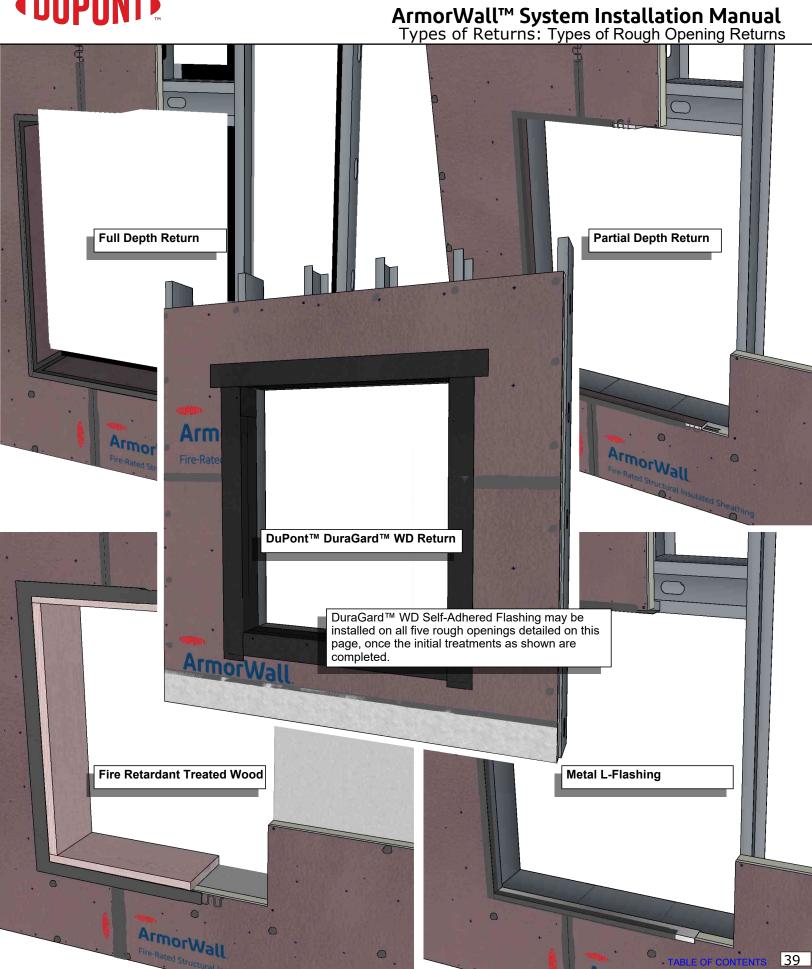


The entire width and depth of the sill is coated to complete preparation for next phases of the project.



Contractors Tip: one 2 gallon pail of ArmorSeal Sealant (Trowel Grade) should cover approximately 40 square feet per gallon or 80 square feet per pail.







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NOTES

DuraGard™ WD Self-Adhered Flashing Tape installation method may be used on all four rough opening detailing methods that are approved with ArmorWall™ panels as outlined on page 38 of this installation guideline.

INSTALLER REQUIREMENT

DuPont requires the use of DuPont™ ArmorSeal Trowel Grade Sealant for rough opening sill details where fasteners will penetrate the rough opening sill flashing. Please refer to Page 37 for detailed installation instructions for ArmorSeal Trowel Grade sealant.

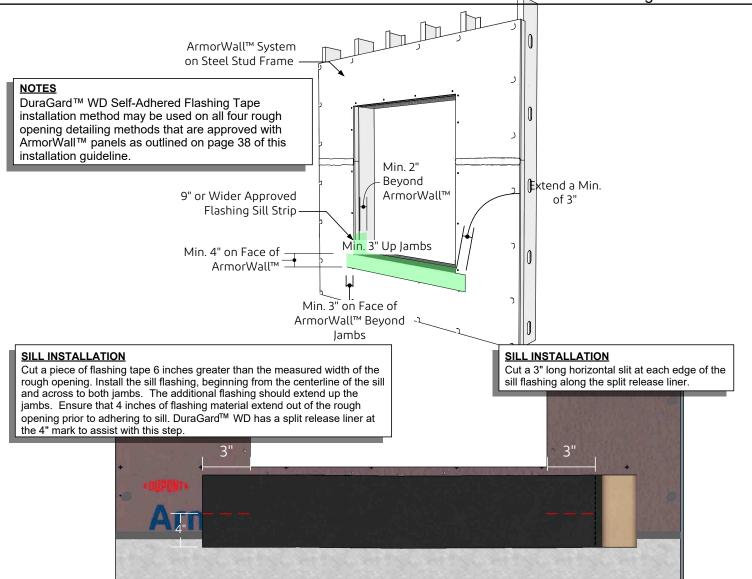
- 1: Steel Stud Frame
- 2: ArmorWall™ Plus (R10, R15, or R21 Standard)
- 3: #14-13 Self Tapping Screw
- 4: DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ FJ at all Seams and Fasteners
- 5: DuPont™ DuraGard™ WD
- 6: Bead of LiquidArmor™ FJ Sealant on All Interior Corners. Strike Sealant.
- 7. Bead of LiquidArmor™ FJ Sealant 3" Beyond Tape/Sealant Seam Intersection. Strike Sealant.
- 8. DuPont™ DuraGard™ CM Through Wall Flashing at base of wall.

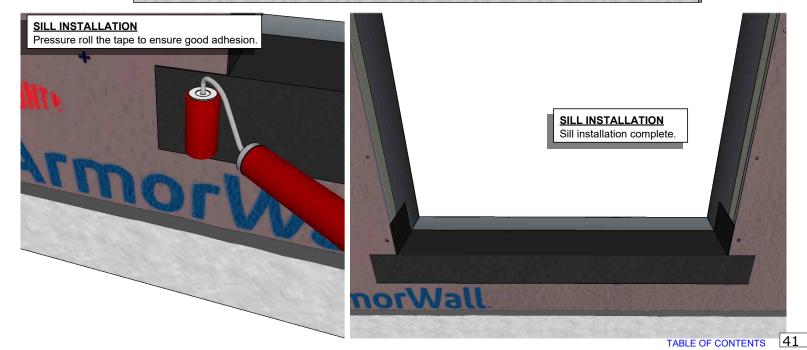


PREPARATION Ensure system fasteners and sealants around the punched opening are present and installed correctly. Ensure the surface of each ArmorWall™ panel is free of dust or contaminants and any construction related surface damage is repaired. Application of fasteners at Rough Opening (RO) perimeter should be within 1" of opening to ensure that after fastener sealant is applied, the cured sealant on fasteners does not exceed 3" from opening (preventing sealant extending beyond 4" tape surface) Ensure cut panel is flush with RO Use compressed air or wipe the ArmorWall™ Panel face and studs at rough openings with a damp cloth and allow to dry. **ArmorWall**



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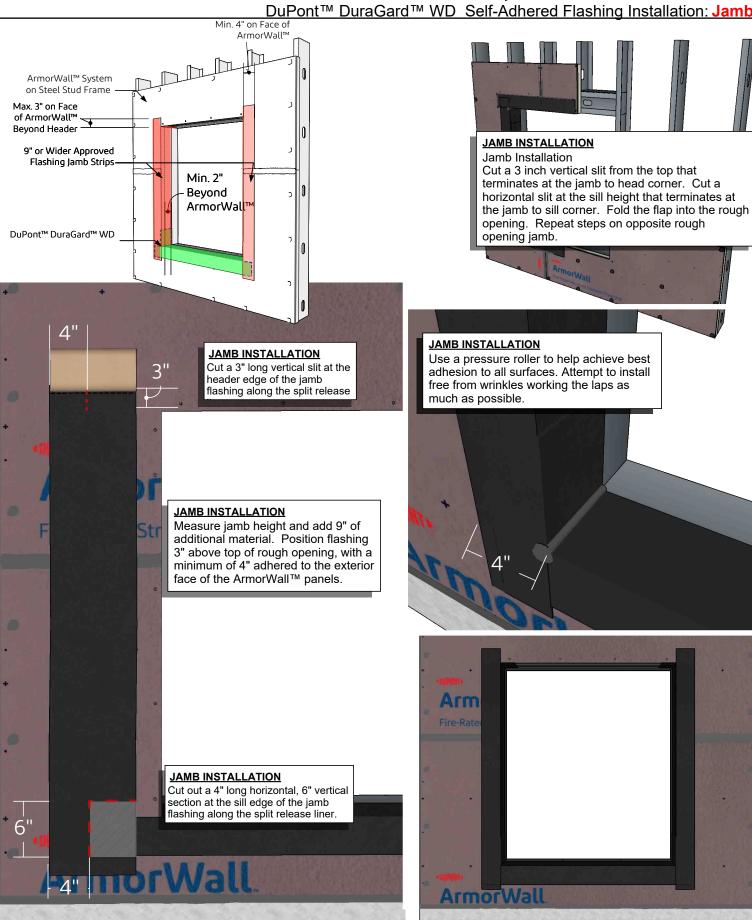


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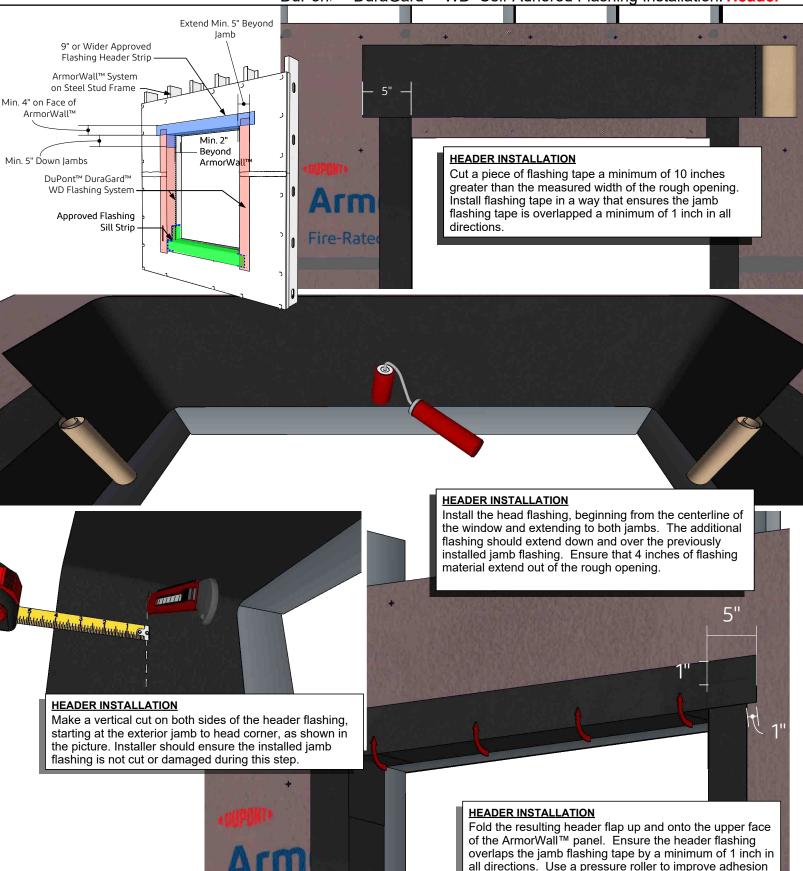
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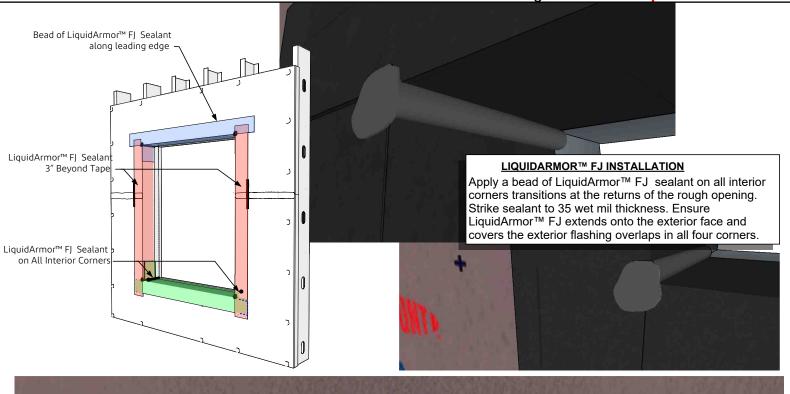


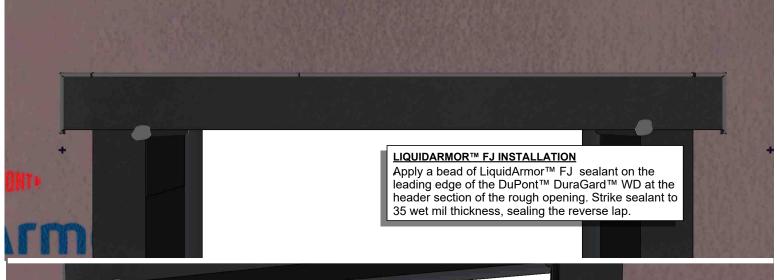


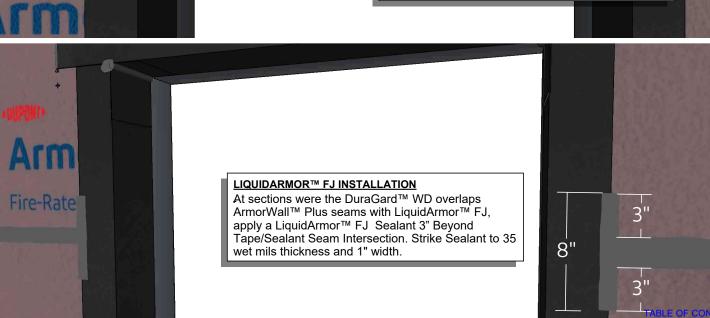
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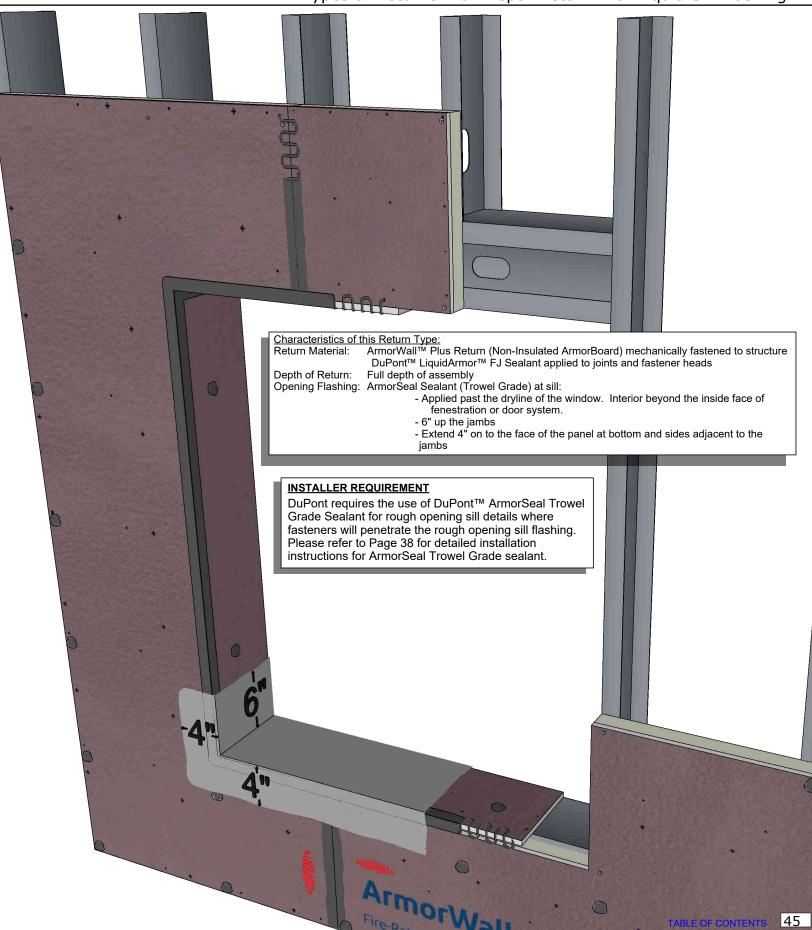




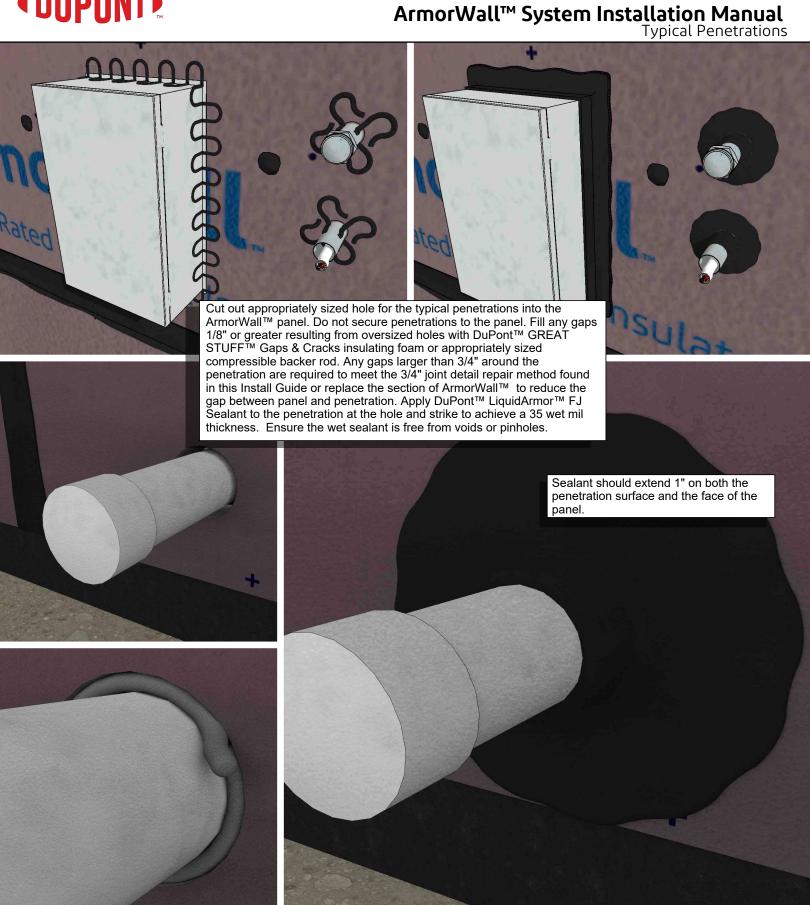




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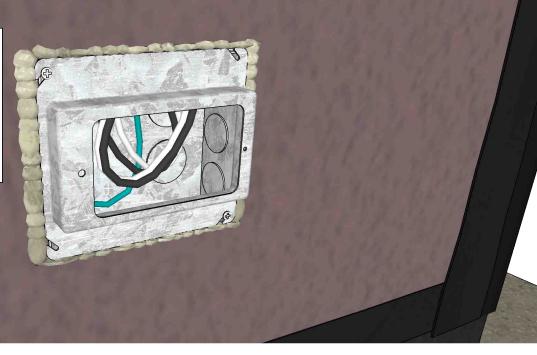






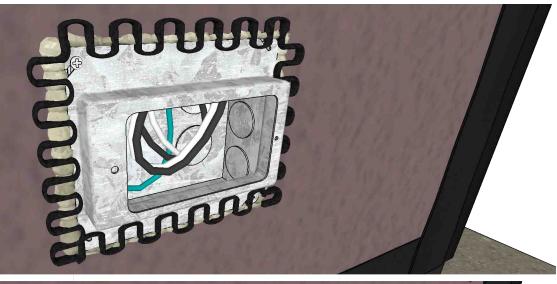
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Cut out appropriately sized hole for the typical exterior grade weatherproofed electrical box into the ArmorWall™ panel. Secure box to the structure. Fill any voids with DuPont™ GREAT STUFF™ Gaps & Cracks insulating foam. Any gaps larger than 3/4" around the penetration are required to meet the 3/4" joint detail repair method found in this Install Guide or replace the section of ArmorWall™ to reduce the gap between panel and penetration.

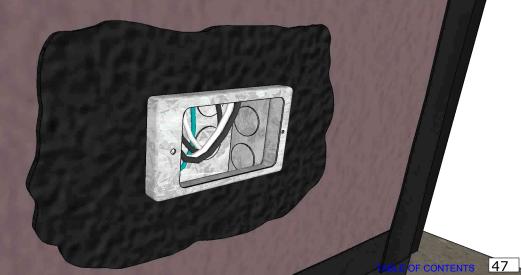


Liquid Option

Apply DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ FJ Sealant to the penetration at the hole and strike to achieve a 35 wet mil thickness. Ensure the wet sealant is free from voids or pinholes.

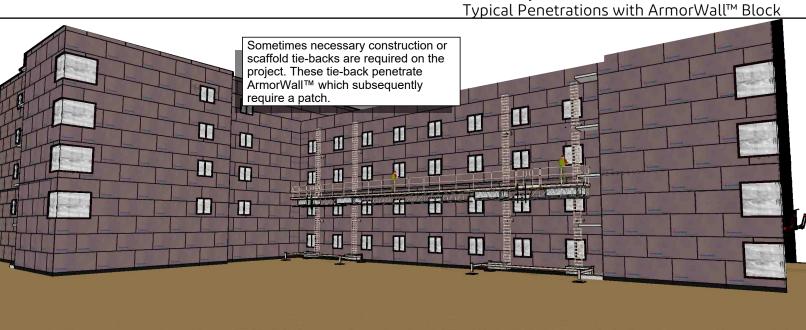


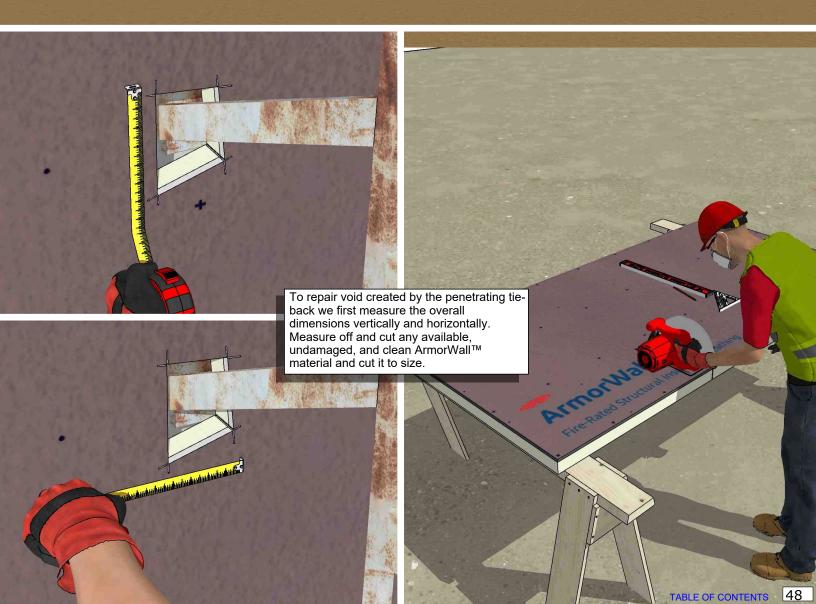
LiquidArmor™ FJ Sealant should extend 1" on both the penetration surface and the face of the ArmorWall $^{\text{\tiny IM}}$ panel.





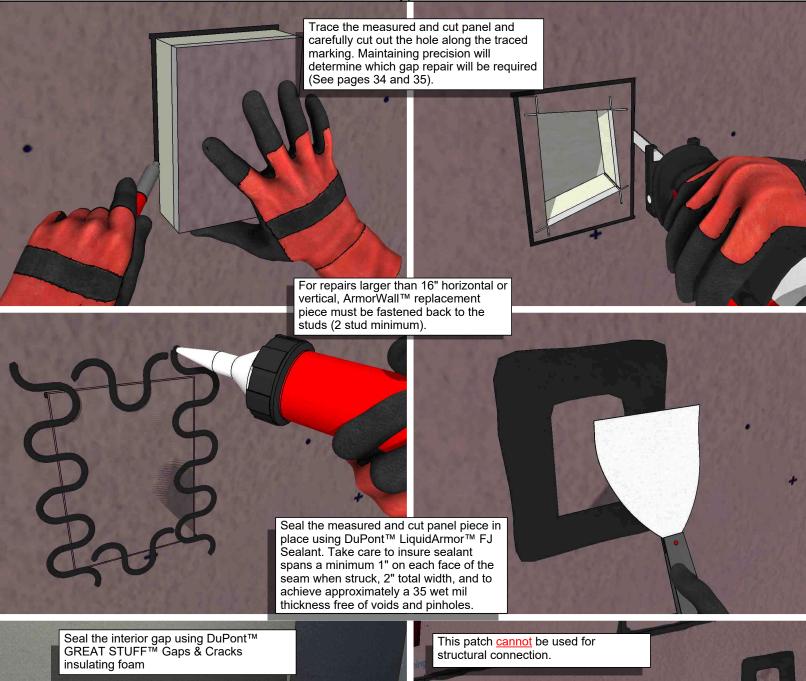
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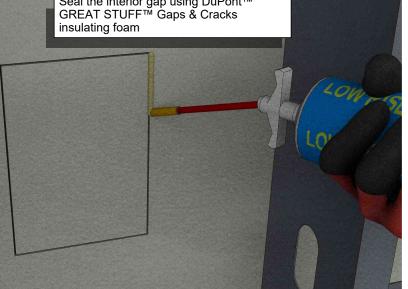






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