



COLUMN & POST™

Square Tapered Post with Craftsman Moulding Installation Instructions

1. Determine where the post will make contact with the header and mark the center point on the header. Ensure concentric loading of the post. This can be accomplished by using ¾" plywood or steel plate. **Note:** 100% of the bottom must contact substrate and 100% of the top must contact soffit.
2. Insert a temporary support to provide working room and keep the load off the shaft.
3. Measure the exact opening where the post will be installed.
4. **Important Note:** When cutting the post to length, be sure the cut is perpendicular to the center line on the face of each side insuring the post stands straight.
5. Before removing your temporary support, check to insure the load will be evenly distributed.
6. Attach angle brackets to substrate. **DO NOT SCREW INTO THE POST.**
7. Craftsman Moulding Installation:
 - You will need to measure the moulding for each side of the top and bottom. Miter cut at 45° angle.
 - Toenail corners of moulding working around the post.
 - Use adhesive caulk where moulding meets the post.

TOOLS REQUIRED:

Safety Glasses	Course Rasp	Sledgehammer
Dust Masks	4x4 Timber	Latex Caulk (paintable)
Saw with Abrasive Blade	Shims	Caulk Gun
Drill and Screws	Polyurethane Structural Adhesive	Pilot Drill Bit (5/32")
Tape Measure	Squaring Device	Adhesive Caulk
Plumb Bob	C&P Square Bracket Kit or Angle Brackets	

CAUTIONS:

1. **DO NOT CAULK BASE TO SUBSTRATE. THIS MAY CAUSE MOISTURE TO BE COLLECTED AND FREEZE.**
2. **ALL HOLES MUST BE PRE-DRILLED.**
3. **DO NOT PUT CONCRETE OR ANY OTHER FILLER INSIDE THE POST.**
4. **INSTALL FLASHING TO PREVENT WATER FROM ENTERING AT THE TOP OF THE POST. THIS ONLY APPLIES IF THE TOP OF THE CAPITAL PROJECTS OUT FROM THE SOFFIT AND IS EXPOSED TO WEATHER.**

PAINTING TIPS:

1. Do not paint using dark color with L values of 56 TO 0.
2. Sand column with 100 grit sandpaper or a sanding sponge to prepare surface for a high quality latex or oil primer. Finish with the proper finish coat.

Failure to follow Installation Instructions immediately voids Lifetime Limited Warranty.