**APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**ARCHITECTURAL COLLECTION PRIMED BOLD PROFILE**

**120 SERIES LAP SIDING (D5, T4, D8, T5, Q4)**

**GENERAL**

- At the time of manufacture, siding meets or exceeds the performance standards set forth in Composite Panel Association ANSI 135.6 and has achieved code recognition under Legacy National Evaluation Report NER-626 and CCMC 12353. For copies of these reports, call LP Customer Support at 1-800-648-6893.

- Minimum 6 in. clearance must be maintained between siding and finish grade.

- Siding applied adjacent to porches, patios, walks, etc. must have a clearance of at least 1 in. above any surface.

- Minimum 1" clearance at intersection with roof line

- Apply siding in a manner that prevents moisture intrusion and water buildup.

- All exposed wood substrate must be sealed in a manner that prevents moisture intrusion and water buildup.

- In non-traditional ICF and SIP assemblies, the ICF or SIP manufacturer must prescribe the fastening specifications. Note: LP does not recommend LP SmartSide for use in these non-traditional assemblies. If used, LP will not warrant for Buckling and Shrinkage. However, balance of warranty does remain intact.

- When using wet blown cellulose insulation, the insulation must not be in direct contact with the siding and it must be allowed to dry a minimum of 24 hours or longer if specified by the insulation manufacturer.

- **DO NOT USE STAPLES**

- **SIDING MUST NOT BE IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH MASONRY, CONCRETE, BRICK, STONE, STUCCO OR MORTAR.**

**STORAGE**

- Store off the ground well supported, on a flat surface, under a roof or separate waterproof covering.

- Keep siding clean and dry. Inspect prior to application.

**STUD SPACING**

- Siding may be applied over sheathed walls or where building codes permit, directly to studs spaced no greater than 16 in. O.C. that have adequate corner bracing.

- In all installations over masonry or concrete walls, the wall shall be furred out and open at the top and bottom of the wall to allow for convective ventilation between framing spaced 16 in. O.C. The framing shall be of adequate thickness to accept 1-1/2 inches of nail penetration. A properly installed breathable water-resistant barrier is required between the siding and masonry or concrete walls.

**MOISTURE**

- Moisture control and water vapor control are critical elements of proper housing design. Check your local building codes for application procedures for handling moisture and water vapor in your area.

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- As with all wood products, do not apply engineered wood siding to a structure having excessive moisture conditions such as drying concrete, plaster or wet blown cellulose insulation. If such conditions exist, the building should be well ventilated to allow it to dry prior to the application of the siding.

- Siding must not be applied to green or crooked structural framing members. Do not apply siding over rain-soaked or buckled sheathing materials.

- Gutters are recommended for control of roof water run off.

**SECONDARY WATER-RESISTANT BARRIER**

- A properly installed breathable water-resistant barrier is required behind the siding. Consult your local building code for details.

- LP will assume no responsibility for water penetration.

**GAPS & SEALANTS**

- Seal all gaps with a high-quality, non-hardening, paintable sealant. Follow the sealant manufacturer’s instructions for application.

- Use a high-quality exterior sealant meeting the ASTM C920, minimum Class 25 sealant.

**FLASHING, WINDOWS, DOORS & OPENINGS**

- All openings must be properly sealed or flashed in a manner that prevents moisture intrusion or buildup. Several examples that accomplish this are shown on the following pages.
Nailing Instructions

Application instructions (cont.)

• Siding products are applied with the back surface flat against the sheathing and/or studs and building paper. The notched shiplapped edge provides a self-aligning system that produces a uniform appearance and weather-tight horizontal joint. Take care to align and seat all joint shelves properly.

• Apply siding over properly prepared walls or gable ends with maximum stud spacing 16 in.

• The key element in a successful siding installation is establishing a straight reference line upon which to start the first course of siding. The suggested procedure is to measure equal distances downward from the eaves and/or windows. This ensures that the siding appears parallel with the eaves, soffit, and windows, regardless of any actual setting of the house from true level.

Siding must be applied at least 6 in. above the ground. Start at the lowest corner of the house, make a starting mark at least 18 in. above the ground (6 in. ground clearance plus 11.88 in. siding width). Now, at each corner, mark a point equal to the distance down from the eaves to the starting mark. Snap chalk lines between marks and carefully apply the first course of siding aligning the top edge to the chalked reference line.

• Joint mouldings are available but not required. Nails should be placed at all stud locations and positioned 3/8 in. from the vertical butt edges on each side of the joint.

DO NOT extend the siding or trim into the kick-out flashing or gutter

DO NOT use
• Semi-transparent and transparent stains.
• Shake and shingle paints.
• Vinyl-based resin formulas such as vinyl acetate, PVA, vinyl acetate/ acrylic copolymer paints.

HANDLE PREFINISHED LP SMARTSIDE PRODUCTS WITH EXTREME CARE DURING STORAGE AND APPLICATION. TOUCH UP ANY DAMAGE TO THE FINISH THAT MAY OCCUR DURING APPLICATION PER PREFINISHERS SPECIFICATIONS.

Finishing Instructions

Do
• Prime and paint all exposed surfaces including all drip edges or where water will hang.
• Apply finish coat as soon as possible or within 180 days of application.
• High-quality acrylic latex paint, specially formulated for use on wood and engineered wood substrates, is highly recommended. Semi-gloss or satin finish oil or alkyd paints are acceptable. For flat alkyd paint, please check with the coating manufacturer for their recommendations for use on composite wood siding.
• Follow the coating manufacturer’s application and maintenance instructions.

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Trim

Trim should be thick enough so the siding does not extend beyond the face of the trim.

• Trim and fascia must be applied in a manner that will not allow moisture intrusion or water buildup.
• LP® SmartSide® siding is not designed and/or manufactured to be used as trim or fascia. LP SmartSide trim and fascia are available in a variety of dimensions.

Kick-Out Flashing

• Install kick-out flashing to direct the water into the gutter
• Install step flashing with minimum 4 in. upper leg
• Properly integrate flashing with the secondary water-resistive barrier. Use housewrap, flashing tape, z-flashing, or other items as needed to maintain the counterflashing principle.
• DO NOT extend the siding or trim into the kick-out flashing or gutter
• Maintain a clearance between the end of the gutter and the adjoining wall to allow for proper maintenance of the siding
• Prime and paint ALL exposed cut edges

Trim

Minimum 1” clearance between trim and roofing

DO NOT run trim or siding inside of the kick-out flashing

Clean rain gutter

Condition

Snug
Flush
Visible fiber
Countersunk 1/16–1/8 in.
Countersunk more than 1/8 in.

Correction
OK
OK
Paint
Apply sealant
Apply sealant and re-nail

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Nail from the center of the siding toward the ends, or from one end to the other end. NEVER nail from the ends of the siding toward the middle.

- Penetrate structural framing or wood structural panels and structural framing a minimum of 1-1/2 in.

- Use hot-dipped galvanized nails with a minimum 0.270 in diameter head and 0.113 in shank diameter.

- Nail at all framing members around openings. Shim, if necessary, to provide solid backing for siding fitted around windows, doors, and at rake cuts on gable ends.

- To ensure that siding courses remain level and straight, align the notched shoulder of the hidden flange prior to nailing. Additionally, make sure that the bottom edge of the siding rests firmly on top of the notched shoulder of the hidden flange. Leave a 3/16 in gap and seal at butt joints. Sealant must be a high-quality, non-hardening, paintable sealant.

- Where siding butts against window and door trim and at wood inside and outside corners, leave a 3/16 in gap and seal.

- Corner posts can be metal, wood, or vinyl. Trim should be thick enough so the siding does not extend beyond the face of the trim.

- Use drip cap flashing above all openings to ensure a weathertight installation.

- Climb cut the surface of the siding such that the rotation of the blade cuts downward on the primed or prefinished surface.

- Where siding butts window trim, door casings and masonry, etc. leave a 3/16 in. gap and seal.

- For information on fastening LP SmartSide products in high wind speed areas, refer to ICC-ES Report ESR-1301 or APA Product Report PR-N124.

**Insulated Sheathing**

LP SmartSide Siding may be installed over low-compression rigid foam or exterior gypsum. The following precautions must be followed:

- Adequate bracing of the wall in accordance with the International Codes or other ruling building code is required.

- For rigid foam sheathing up to 1 in. (25.4 mm) thick, siding may be nailed directly to the foam sheathing unless a drainage plane is required by the local building code. Nail length must be increased to ensure a minimum 1-1/2 in. (38.1 mm) fastener penetration into the structural framing.

- For rigid foam sheathing greater than 1 in. (25.4 mm), a minimum 1-1/2 in. (38.1 mm) thick by 3-1/2 in. (88.9 mm) wide vertical strapping or furring strip must be installed over the sheathing to provide a solid, level nailing base for the siding. The strapping must be securely fastened to structural framing spaced no greater than 16 in. O.C. (406 mm) with a minimum nail penetration of 1-1/2 in. (38.1 mm) and a maximum nail spacing no greater than the width of the siding.

Louisiana-Pacific will assume no responsibility for any damage or condition arising from the use of rigid foam or exterior gypsum.

**Butt Joints**

- Joints must occur over studs.
- A minimum 3/16 in. gap is required at ALL butt joints.
- If joint caulking option is selected, seal all gaps at butt joints with a high-quality exterior sealant meeting the ASTM C920, minimum Class 25 sealant.
- If joint moulding option is selected, add the thickness of the web to the gap allowing a net 3/16 in. space for expansion.
- If siding is prefinished by an approved or preferred prefinisher it does not require sealant or joint moulding when backed with minimum 4 in. wide flashing and the ends of the siding are factory finished.

The Louisiana-Pacific Corporation (“LP”) LP SmartSide Siding (the “Products”) limited warranty (the “Warranty”) applies only to structures on which the Products have been applied, finished and maintained in accordance with the published application, finishing and maintenance instructions in effect at the time of application. The failure to follow such application, finishing or maintenance instructions will void the Warranty as to the portion of the Products affected by the variance (the “Affected Products”).

LP assumes no liability for any loss or damage sustained by the Affected Products and is expressly released by the purchaser or owner from any such loss or liability.

Any modification of the Warranty’s application, finishing or maintenance requirements is void and unenforceable unless approved in writing prior to application by the Siding General Manager or his designee and a member of the LP Legal Department.

For a copy of the warranty or for installation and technical support, visit the LP SmartSide product support Web site at:

www.lpsmartside.com

or for additional support call 800-450-6106.

**Warranty Remedies Are Not Available If Requirements Are Not Followed.**

**Cal. Prop 65 Warning:** Use of this product may result in exposure to wood dust, known to the State of California to cause cancer.
**D5 or D8 Bold Profile**

- Breathable water-resistant barrier
- Overlap
- 1-1/2 in. minimum
- Sheathing

**T4 or T5 Bold Profile**

- Breathable water-resistant barrier
- Overlap
- 1-1/2 in. minimum
- Sheathing

**Q4 Bold Profile**

- Breathable water-resistant barrier
- Overlap
- 1-1/2 in. minimum
- Sheathing

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**Figure 1**

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**Figure 2**

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**Figure 3**

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**Figure 4**

- Establish straight reference lines
- Minimum 6 in.
- Ground clearance to siding
- Shim
- Lowest corner

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**Figure 5**

- Roof flashing detail
- Trim
- Min. 3/16 in. gap
- Paint bottom edges
- 4 in. min. vertical flashing
- 1 in. min. clearance from roofing
Over Openings

- Vapor Retarder
  - if required by code
  - flash, shim, gap 3/8 in.
  - ensure complete paint coverage of the drip edge

Alternate Butt Joint Treatments

- Joint Moulding
  - Gap 3/16 in. plus thickness of joint moulding web

- Caulked Butt Joint
  - Gap 3/16 in. and seal 3/16 in.

Breathable water-resistant barrier

- nail spacing under window
  - 8 in. O.C.

- Vapor Retarder

- bottom course detail
- inside corner detail
- outside corner detail

- Figure 2A
- Figure 2B
- Figure 2C
- Figure 2D
- Figure 2E
- Figure 2F
- Figure 2G
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