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#### **MEASURE**

Measure the RO. Allow 1/2" additional room on all sides (1" overall) than recommended by window manufacturer. Check for level & plumb, shim interior if needed.

# **CUT**

Inspect ThermalBuck for any damage. Angle-cut pieces of ThermalBuck 45° with a miter saw. Undersize each piece 1/16" - 1/8" to allow for sealant at corners.

# **DRY-FIT**

Dry-Fit the pieces of ThermalBuck to make sure it fits properly, adjust if needed.

# **AIR & WATER SEAL**

Apply three 3/8" beads of Dow Corning 758 Sealant to the back of each piece of ThermalBuck. Ensure 100% ooze-out at all transitions for complete air & water seal.





# **ATTACH**

Starting at the sill, push ThermalBuck firmly into the rough opening along the total length to ensure you have a good seal. Continue with jambs then head.

# **NAIL TONGUE**

Firmly hold ThermalBuck in place, and nail a 2" roofing nail through the 1/2" tongue into the structure, every 10"-12".

# **SEAL ENDS**

Add sealant to mitered ends. Ensure 100% ooze-out at all transitions for complete air & water seal. Add sealant if needed.

# **CLAMP**

Clamp all 4 corners with a nail while the sealant cures (**24 hrs**).

Do not install window until sealant has cured.

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#### **SMOOTH**

Once 100% ooze-out is achieved, smooth sealant and remove excess.

## **INSTALL WINDOW**

Install window according to manufacturers' instructions. Along the bottom flange, ensure at least two 3" gaps in sealant for drainage.

**NOTE:** Nails or screws must go through ThermalBuck & penetrate the structure a minimum of 1 1/4".

# **SEAL PERIMETER**

Apply 3/8" bead of sealant around the perimeter of all sides of ThermalBuck to complete exterior air & water seal.

**NOTE:** Review the installation instructions of the WRB, CI & window manufacturer you have selected. Consider best practices for the remaining installation steps.

# **SEAL INTERIOR**

Seal both the transition of ThermalBuck to the window and to the framing to complete the interior air & water seal.

If extension jambs are pre-installed, seal the ThermalBuck to the rough opening prior to the window install.

## Note:

For additional information please refer to following document, FMA/AAMA/WDMA 500-16 Standard Practice for the Installation of Mounting Flange Windows into Walls Utilizing Foam Plastic Insulation (FPIS) with a Separate Water-Resistive Barrier (WRB)