

# Natural Elements® Ultra-Light Exterior Trim - Solid Wood

- Lightweight and easy to handle
- Naturally resistant to rot and decay
- Naturally warp, crack and split resistant
- Naturally free of knots and voids
- Finger jointed, kiln dried to 8-12% moisture level
- Reversible Embossed Woodgrain & Smooth Finish
- Works well with any cladding system
- Primed with 3 coats of Sherwin-Williams primer for exceptional paint adhesion
- 15-Year Limited Warranty Against Wood Decay

## Nominal Dimensions

Thickness: 4/4" & 5/4"

Width: 3", 4", 5", 6", 8", 10", 12"

Length: 12'





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# A guide to storing, finishing, and maintaining



#### 1. Job Site Storage

Designate a dry, clean, and protected area for storage. Like all wood, this product needs to be stored under shelter and remain dry to prevent mold. Use blocking to store trims at least 6" off the ground and keep covered and protected. Do not leave Natural Elements Ultra-Light Trim outside exposed to extreme weather conditions.

#### 2. Acclimatization

We recommend leaving the trims a period of 48h prior installation in order to adjust to local temperature and moisture level. Products must remain stored under shelter during this period

#### 3. Nailing

Use non-corrosive standard ring-shanked nails such as stainless steel or hot-dip galvanized nails. When driven below the surface of the pattern, fill the hole with a premium wood filler and paint it. Failure to fill the overdriven holes could create moisture points and compromise the product performance.

#### 4. Seal End Cuts, Caulking and Flashing

You must seal all exposed wood edges, fresh cuts, etc. As trim pieces are cut to size, seal each end cut with a good quality oil primer. Use a high-performance acrylic latex, acrylic, acrylic silicone, polyurethane, polysulfide or terpolymer rubber caulks or sealants to seal gaps around windows, doors, corners, and other exterior joints that are exposed to potential water intrusion. If not inspected and maintained, caulking may fail and trap water, creating severe moisture problems. Do not rely on it as the only barrier to moisture penetration.

**Important:** Each cut must be sealed with a quality primer. Failure to prime cut edges could compromise the product performance.

#### 5. Topcoat Advice

Schedule topcoats to be applied within 30 days of installation. Siding should be clean and dry before topcoats are applied. Use a good quality 100% acrylic latex paint. Apply two coats.

- When painting any wood, 30 days are needed to cure.
- Reversible, both sides are applicable.
- When using a spray application, more than two coats might be need to be applied due to the consistency of the paint and back rolled.
- Paint Natural Elements Ultra-Light Trim as soon as they are installed, or shortly after to ensure quality of the wood product.

#### **Smooth Side Application**

- Before painting or staining, dust off the wood with a damp cloth or use a mild water based emulsion or alkaline solvent.
- Use a light sandpaper of 240 grit or less to roughen up surfaces to allow paint or stain to adhere better.
- Apply at least two coats of paint.

#### **Precautions**

If any wood product is left in a wrap, in the shade, out in extreme weather conditions, or just remains wet, mold might occur. Protect yourself and follow guidelines.

If mold is present which is rare, use a solution of bleach and water with a fine brush and gently scrub area. Let dry and repeat primer stage of the process.





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