

Installation Guide Maibec em+® Siding

(installed with staples)

Read this entire guide before installing your siding. For proper installation, you must understand and follow all requirements and steps correctly. **DOWNLOAD THE LATEST VERSION ONLINE AT MAIBEC.COM.** For any questions, please contact Maibec's technical service toll-free at 1-800-363-1930, Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Eastern Time)

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Maibec em+® siding is for exterior use only.

*Drawings in this document are not to scale and are used solely to illustrate best practices.
All dimensions in this document are given in inches.*

1. BASIC PRINCIPLES FOR INSTALLING EXTERIOR SIDING

Exterior siding is essential for protecting a home against water infiltration, but is not watertight. Water accumulation and variations in moisture levels behind the siding can cause boards to warp, mould to form and even lead to rot inside the wall. This will affect the siding's performance, durability and appearance.

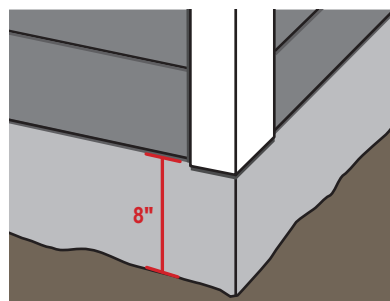
1.1 MANAGING WATER

The following requirements must be respected to properly manage water:

- Water must be able to drain away freely between the siding and water-resistive barrier.
- Install flashing over all openings, flat surfaces and wherever moisture drainage is needed.
- Use weather-seal tape/membrane around windows, doors and all other openings to ensure a tight seal with the water-resistive barrier. This will protect the wall from water infiltration.
- No horizontal furring strips or surfaces at the bottom of walls to prevent water accumulation.
- Install gutters and deflective flashing on roofs.

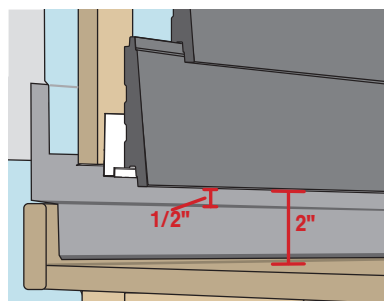
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FIGURE 2



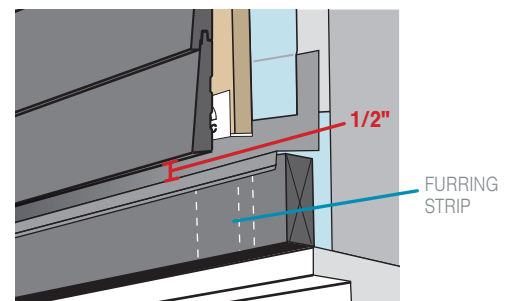
8" from the ground

FIGURE 3



- 2" from adjacent horizontal structures (e.g. decks, low walls, roof shingles)
- 1/2" between siding and flashing

FIGURE 4



1/2" space between the siding and the flashing over all openings

FIGURE 1

