**Application instructions**

**Precision Series 38 and 76 Series**

**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.

**Vapor Retarder/Weather 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 with a minimum stated service life of 30 years. Follow the sealant manufacturer’s instructions for application.

**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.

**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.

**Finishing Instructions**

**DO**

- Priming all exposed wood substrates before painting is highly recommended.
- Paint all exposed siding surfaces including drip edges.
- Thoroughly paint the bottom edges of siding especially all cut ends next to the roof line.
- Apply paint as soon as possible and within 180 days of application.
- Follow the coating manufacturer’s application and maintenance instructions.
- 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 manufacturers for their recommendations for use on composite wood siding.

**DO NOT USE STAPLES**

- SIDING MUST NOT BE IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH MASONRY

**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.
- Allow siding to adjust to atmospheric conditions before application.

**Stud Spacing**

- Space studs no farther apart than the span rating indicated on the product trademark.
- Precision 38 Series lap may be installed up to 16 in. OC framing-spans. Precision 76 Series lap may be installed up to 24 in. OC framing spans.

**Moisture**

- Moisture control and moisture vapor control are critical elements of proper housing design. Check your local building codes for application procedures for handling moisture and moisture vapor in your area.
- As with all wood products, do not apply engineered wood siding to a structure having excessive moisture conditions such as drying concrete or plaster. If such conditions exist, the building should be well ventilated to allow it to dry prior to the application of the siding.
Nailing Instructions

• LP SmartSide 76 Series lap siding may be attached directly to framing members spaced up to a maximum of 24 in. on center. 76 Series LP SmartSide Lap may also be applied over code-approved nailable sheathing.

• LP SmartSide 38 Series lap siding may be attached over nailable sheathing or directly to framing members that are spaced up to a maximum of 16 in. on center.

• Check your local building code before starting to install the Product to confirm if sheathing is needed.

• Alternative Fastening Options for 8-inch only 38 Series Precision Lap Over Structural Sheathing and 24 in. OC Wall Framing:
  • The sheathing must be a minimum 7/16 in. thickness with an APA-The Engineered Wood Association trademark that contains the consensus standard DOC PS2.
  • The transverse windload design values in table 4 of the APA Product Report PR-N124 may be used when the following fasteners specifications are met.

  • 38 series precision lap must be fastened with:
    • a minimum no. 8 corrosion resistant tapered head wood screw with a maximum spacing of 12 in. on center with 1.5 in. screw penetration into each stud or...
    • a minimum 6d corrosion resistant ring shank nail with a maximum spacing of 8 in. on center with 1.5 in. nail penetration into each stud.

• Alternative Fastening Options Over SIP Assemblies:
  • The sheathing must be a minimum 7/16 in. thickness with an APA-The Engineered Wood Association trademark that contains the consensus standard DOC PS2.
  • The transverse windload design values in table 4 of the APA Product Report PR-N124 may be used when the following fasteners specifications are met.

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  • 76 series precision lap must be fastened with:
    • a minimum no. 8 corrosion resistant tapered head wood screw with a maximum spacing of 16 in. on center or...
    • a minimum 6d corrosion resistant ring shank nail with a maximum spacing of 12 in. on center.

Application Instructions (cont.)

• Siding joints should be staggered over successive courses. For installation with or without nailable sheathing, joints must occur over stud locations.

• Siding should be installed with top (blind) nailing, with the nails placed a minimum of 3/8 in. from either end. Siding may be face nailed as required.

• Overlap successive courses of siding a minimum of 1 in.

• Use minimum 8d, corrosion resistant, box style nails.

• All exposed face nails must be caulked and sealed in a manner that prevents moisture intrusion and water buildup.

• Fasteners at each stud location must penetrate solid wood framing or the sheathing and wood framing a minimum of 1.5 in.

• For information on fastening LP SmartSide Lap products in high wind speed areas, refer to ICC-ES Report ESR-1301.

CAUTION
• Do not force siding into place.
• DO NOT USE STAPLES.

Overlap, Clearance & Nailing Space

Nail min. 3/4 in. from top and 3/8 in. from edge

• A minimum 3/16 in. gap is required at butt joints.

• Seal all gaps at butt joints.

• Unsheathed walls require adequate bracing.

• Joints must occur over the studs.
over openings

- flash, shim, gap 3/16 in.

alternate joint treatment

- joint molding
- gap 3/16 in. and seal

vapor barrier
if required by code

Breathable weather resistant barrier

gap 3/16 in. and seal

inside corner detail

outside corner detail

6 in. minimum

over openings

3/8 in.

outside corner detail

3/8 in.
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.lpcorp/smartside.com

or for additional support call 800.450.6106.

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