

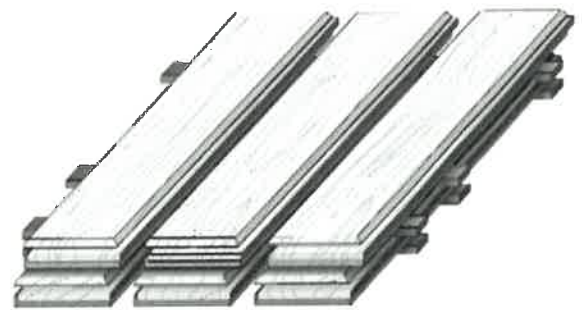


## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

### BXPRO MATCHLOCK & MATCHLOCK COLOR COLLECTION

#### CONDITIONING RECOMENDATIONS:

We recommend acclimatizing your paneling for 10-14 days prior to installation. To execute acclimatization properly, use strip piling to allow air circulation throughout the bundle. Please note that temperature and humidity are both important control factors that will affect expansion and contraction. Moisture levels change depending on climate, timing, and external factors such as conditioned air spaces.



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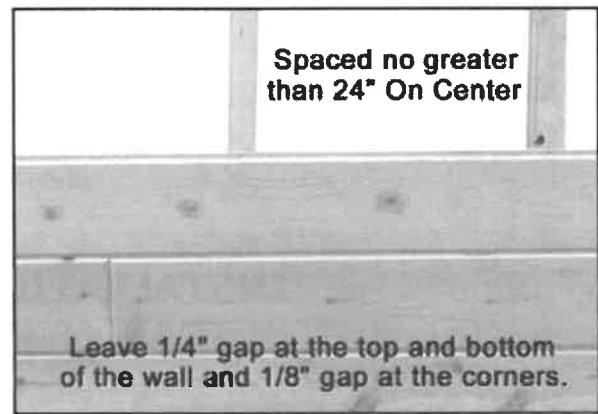
- If installing over a concrete or brick wall, make sure to use a moisture barrier, such as polyethylene sheeting, between the wall studs & the paneling.
- Be sure to stagger the panel board lengths to avoid horizontal lines on the finished wall.
- Start the first row with the grooved side of the paneling towards the adjoining wall.
- Make sure the paneling is perfectly straight.
- While applying additional rows, continue to check for straightness.
- Use the cut off end of the previous run to start the next row.
- Typical applications include blind nailing through tongue into substrate and/or stud.
- No need to terminate each board on a stud due to the end-matched (end on board tongue & groove) – simply connect the ends and blind nail at the next stud.

#### HELPFUL HINTS:

- When using a power saw, cut with the rough side up; however, when using a hand saw, keep the smooth side up.
- When cutting out electrical box openings, drill the holes from the back side, and then finish with a saber or keyhole saw.

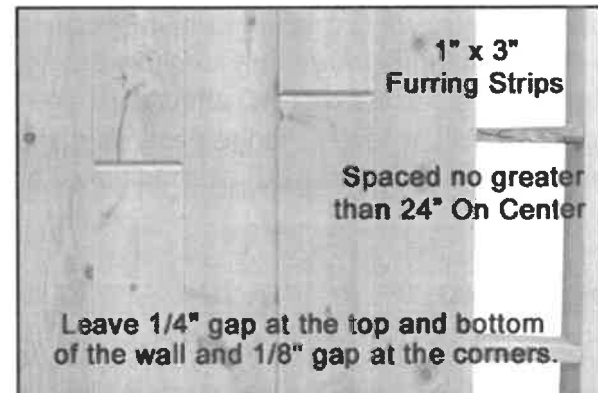
### **HORIZONTAL APPLICATION:**

- Place panel tongue side up, in relation to the studs or solid backing.
- Furring strips or studs should be no greater than 24" o.c..
- Leave a 1/4" space both at the top and the bottom of the wall, with an 1/8" gap at the corner.



### **VERTICAL APPLICATION:**

- If applying over studs, nail furring strips horizontally, not exceeding 24" o.c. and around the edges of the wall.
- Begin at a corner with the grooved edge towards the wall.
- Leave 1/4" space at the corner & 1/8" space at the top & bottom of the wall.
- If applying over a flat wood surface, furring is not needed.
- Make sure 1st row of paneling is plumb.



### **DIAGONAL APPLICATION:**

- Apply panel to vertical or horizontal furring strips, with not more than 24" o.c spacing.
- Start at a floor corner, cut & fit a triangle piece, not exceeding 45 degrees.
- Install with the tongue side up, making sure to leave a 1/4" at the top & bottom of the wall & an 1/8" at the corners.

