



APPLICATION TYPES

Can you use TrueCraft PVC mouldings outside?

Yes, TrueCraft is an excellent choice for exterior use and is water, rot, and weather resistant. The only PVC moulding that should not be used outside are decorative woodgrain laminated mouldings. All other TrueCraft PVC products can be used for both interior and exterior applications.

Can you use TrueCraft PVC mouldings around a shower, bathtub, or other wet areas?

Yes, unlike MDF or wood, TrueCraft PVC does not retain moisture, swell, or promote the growth of mold or mildew, and can be used in wet areas.

Are TrueCraft products structural?

No! TrueCraft PVC is purely for decorative use and should not be used for ANY structural application. PVC boards must be supported by wood or other structural materials.

CLEANING

How do you clean and remove scratches?

If the scratches are not severe, use Windex and Mr. Clean Magic Eraser. Apply the cleaner, then use the eraser or sponge and rub in a circular and up and down motion until scratches are buffed out. This may take effort and time depending on scratch depth and severity. You can also use Turtle Wax rubbing compound to remove surface scratches. Clean product after buffing?

Recommended cleaners include:

- 409 Glass and Surface Cleaner®
- M1 House Wash®
- Dawn® Platinum Power Wash
- Windex®
- LA's Totally Awesome® All-Purpose Cleaner

How do you remove a UPC label?

Apply acetone or finger nail polish remover and gently remove.

How do you remove a product description label?

De-Solve-It Citrus Solution and Turtle Was Label and Sticker Remover are excellent cleaners for removing sticks. Use if needed. Or, soak the product with typical surface cleaner such as 409 and use a plastic putty knife to gently scrape the sticker off. Use rubbing alcohol to remove remaining residue.

WORKING WITH PVC

How should TrueCraft mouldings be cut?

TrueCraft PVC moulding should be cut with a carbide tip blade with 80 teeth or more. Be sure to make cuts quickly. Lightly spraying the blade with cooking spray or furniture polish prior to cutting decreases build up on the blade. *Do not spray mouldings. Sprays applied to mouldings affect paint adhesion.

What type of routing or milling bits should be used?

Use standard woodworking carbide-tipped router bits. Milled areas expose the 'open cell' PVC and are rougher than the outsides. To minimize roughness, use 220-320 grit sandpaper to seal the edge. This will not eliminate completely but does reduce the visible open cell material. Apply paint to further reduce visibility (see painting information)



What types of fasteners are recommended with TrueCraft PVC moulding?

Screws for boards should have thin shanks, blunt points, and full round heads, and penetrate 1 1/2" into the substrate. Fasteners should be positioned no less than 3/4" or more than 2" from ends of boards and be weather resistant, such as stainless steel.

For interior trim such as casing, base, quarter round, and crown, use 16 gauge finish nails, 6d or 8d finish nails. Pneumatic guns can be used. Air pressure should be adjusted based upon gun, temperature, and substrate - 80-100 PSI is typical. Always use the least pressure necessary. Do not use brads or wire nails. Staples can be used only for beaded planking.

Recommended Screws:

- Fasten Master Cortex® Hidden Fastening System (screw and PVC plug system) 5/8" to 5/4"
- Starborn Pro Plug® System (screw and PVC plug system) 5/8" to 5/4"
- Simpson Strong-Tie® Trim-Head Stainless Steel Screw
- GRK Fasteners FIN/Trim Finishing Trim Head Screws (ClimatekCoated® or Phoenix Stainless Steel)
- Kreg Blue-Kote™ Pocket-Hole Screws (for assembling trim with pocket-holes)
- #8-gauge TrimTop 305 SS with sharp type 17 piercing point by Fasten Master
- 305 SS Headcote #7 or #8 trim screws with auger points

For Concrete/Masonry/Brick: – Apply masonry adhesive sealant (always follow manufacturer's instructions) to the surface of concrete first. Lay the trim board/sheet and secure with Tapcon masonry fasteners.

What filler(s) should I use for nail holes, screw holes, and/or cracks?

- Extreme Adhesives Fill & Flex®
- Sashco Big Stretch High Performance Elastic sealant
- Dap® Platinum Patch®
- Sherwin Williams Shrink Free Spackling®
- OSI QUADMAX
- Crackshot High-Performance Spackling Paste

What adhesives work best with TrueCraft PVC moulding?

Acrylic, urethane, or polyurethane adhesives work best with TrueCraft PVC mouldings. Mechanical fasteners are always required. Adhesives are not covered under warranty.

PVC to PVC

- Titebond Ultimate PVC Trim Adhesive & Sealant
- Titebond PVC Trim Joint Adhesive
- Extreme Adhesives PVC Trim Welder®
- ZeVo 1 Part Cellular PVC Adhesive® for use w/ Royal Building Products
- FastCap 2P-10 Adhesive & Activator
- OSI PVC Trim Bond®
- Weld-On® 705 by IPS • NPC Solar Seal® 900
- Christy's Red Hot White Vinyl Adhesive®
- Quality Transparent PVC Cement

For PVC to Steel

- NPC Solar Seal® 900
- Liquid Nails Fuze*It®
- Liquid Nails® LN950 Construction Adhesive

PVC to Wood

- Liquid Nails® Heavy Duty
- Liquid Nails® Subfloor
- Loctite PL Premium
- Loctite PL Max
- Loctite PLX8

PVC To Masonry

- NPC Solar Seal® 900
- Liquid Nails Fuze*It®
- Liquid Nails® LN950 Construction Adhesive



What sealants work best with TrueCraft PVC moulding?

Acrylic, urethane, or polyurethane sealants work best with TrueCraft PVC mouldings such as OSI QuadMax, OSI Quad, and NPC Solar Seal 900. Mechanical fasteners are always required. sealants are not covered under warranty.

FINISHING PVC

Does TrueCraft PVC require painting?

No, TrueCraft does not have to be painted like any cellular PVC product. However, PVC can weather over time and painting will enhance the lifespan and maintain color consistency. TrueCraft PVC mouldings are ready for painting and require very little preparation. Painting with a good quality 'Vinyl Safe' 100% acrylic latex paint will further protect TrueCraft products. NOTE: Warranty does not cover painted finishes or coatings applied to the product.

If I am painting, what is the best paint to use?

For light colors with a light reflective value (LRV) of 57 or higher, we recommend a high quality 100% acrylic latex or acrylic blend paint developed for trim. Coating manufacturers can and will specify the LRV for its color palette. For dark colors, with a light reflective value (LRV) of 56 or lower, it is imperative that an approved solar reflective coating is used. These paints are typically referred to as "vinyl safe" paints, or heat reflective coatings for vinyl. Failure to use the proper coatings specific to dark colors will result in heat distortion and buckling to any cellular PVC.

Sherwin-Williams VinylSafe® paint and Benjamin Moore Revive® suitable options if painting dark colors that use low heat buildup color pigment that can be used with cellular PVC products. For Sherwin Williams, this specialized coating is not automatically a feature in the paint products where VinylSafe® is available. VinylSafe® MUST BE SPECIFIED AS AN OPTION when having paint mixed, using Sherwin-Williams Emerald®, Duration®, Resilience®, SuperPaint® latex paints, or SnapDry™ Door & Trim Paint.

Do I have to prime prior to painting?

No, primer is not required, but it is generally recommended to use paints with built in primer for enhanced finish quality. Some paint manufacturers require priming. If priming, prime with white color primer (do not use any dark color primers). It is generally recommended to fill all nail holes or blemishes prior to painting. Lightly sand the surface with fine sandpaper to remove blemishes only if necessary.

