

AquaBead®

DRYWALL CORNER INSTALL GUIDE

CertainTeed AquaBead® is an easy-to-apply, water-activated, self-adhesive drywall corner that doesn't blister, bubble, dent or crack.

OUTSIDE 90

When installing drywall for 90° corners, hang Outside 90 as shown in Figure 1a. Ensure that the drywall at the corner does not overlap the joint compound as shown in Figure 1b.

Figure 1a

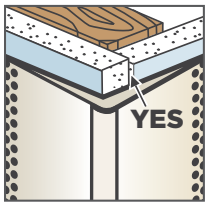
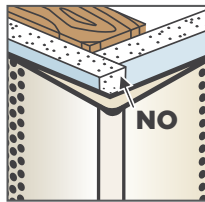


Figure 1b



BULLNOSE

When installing drywall for Bullnose corners, hang as shown in Figure 2a and 2b. Ensure that drywall at the corners do not touch creating an open area for the radius of the bead.

Figure 2a

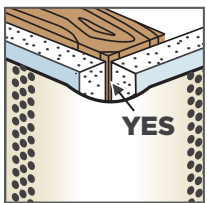
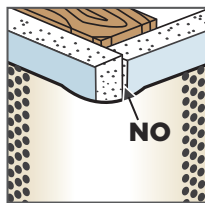


Figure 2b



PREPARATION

- AquaBead can be cut to length using scissors, metal snips or a chop saw.

TIP: Save time by using a chop saw to cut multiple pieces of AquaBead to the same length.

- Using a spray bottle or pump sprayer, completely wet the adhesive side of the AquaBead® with clean, ordinary tap water.

IMPORTANT: Do not use a sponge to apply water as it will remove adhesive. Add a bit of food coloring to the water to make it easier to see where you have sprayed.

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- If you apply less water the working time is decreased, but the tack (stickiness) is increased. To extend working time add more water.
- After applying water, allow 20 - 30 seconds for the AquaBead to activate. Temperature and humidity may affect drying times.
- Make sure the entire adhesive surface on the back of AquaBead is wet before application.

APPLICATION

- Place the wet, adhesive side of the AquaBead on the wall corner, aligning it tightly to the ceiling. The beaded edge of the AquaBead should be squared with the centre of the corner. Make sure it is straight.
- Press the AquaBead firmly by hand or with a roller, making sure the flanges contact the drywall surface completely.
- **REPOSITIONING:** AquaBead can be removed, re-wetted and repositioned if the adhesive has not set.

- AquaBead adhesive will not stick to previously finished drywall surfaces. Use a spray adhesive or joint compound to adhere to previously finished surfaces.
- If an area has not properly bonded, it can be mechanically fastened with staples before coating.

IMPORTANT: Once the adhesive has set, the AquaBead will be permanently bonded to the drywall and cannot be repositioned.

TIP: If you have exposed drywall edges, use L-Trim for a quick and clean finish.

- If preferred, Taping or Mid to Heavy-weight All Purpose Joint Compounds can be used to adhere AquaBead. If using this method, ensure joint compound has thoroughly dried before applying a fill coat.

TIP: Create a guide with a pencil or chalk line to get straight corners, especially on bulkheads and long runs.

FINISHING

- AquaBead corner can be filled after 30 minutes using All-Purpose or Finishing joint compound.
- Apply joint compound over the AquaBead using an 8" - 10" taping knife, filling the holes. Allow compound to dry thoroughly.
- Skim over the AquaBead corner once more with joint compound using a 10"-12" finishing knife. Let dry, then sand and paint.

Shipped in water-resistant packaging. Store in a dry location. Protect from moisture.