Your Tuff Shed building is about to become a reality. Important details for installation day:

- Our installers will arrive on the site, unload materials and components, and begin to assemble your building.
- Please have someone over the age of 18 at home.
- An out of level site will force our installers to stop work and collect an additional leveling fee prior to resuming.
- Our installers will need a power source so they can plug in the compressors that power their tools.
- Inspect the building before the installers leave for the day.
- It may surprise you – but like most home builders, the weather seldom interferes with installation. Rain, snow, and sleet will most likely not prevent installation. Ask for details.

You’ve decided on the building style, size and design, and finalized your purchase. Important prep work remains for you and for us, including:

- **You will be contacted** within 24-48 hours to schedule your installation.
- **Building Permit(s)/HOA Requirements** – Customers need to confirm with their HOA and/or municipality for appropriate building permit requirements. Contact us immediately if you need help.
- **Prepare the Job Site** – Clean the site of all debris (i.e. old tree stumps, trash, dog waste, etc) and level the site. If the site is more than 4” out of level, a charge will apply.

Keep your Building on the Level – When normal ground settling occurs, it can affect your Tuff Shed building, making it difficult to open, close or latch the door. This is not a warranty issue, but in most cases, the building can be easily re-leveled by the customer or for a reasonable fee by Tuff Shed.

Redirect Water – Water is the enemy of most structures. Take care to redirect water from your building whenever possible. Rain water runoff from other structures and misdirected irrigation systems can damage your Tuff Shed building, and is not covered by warranty.

Re-paint Regularly – Painting is one of the easiest ways to protect the exterior wood surfaces of a Tuff Shed building. Your building’s warranty coverage requires that the building be re-painted every five years. We recommend using high quality materials like PPG Paints.

Do not add rubber mats or vinyl flooring inside as they can create a serious moisture and rot issue.
Wondering about the appearance of a certain feature of your Tuff Shed building? This information can help you better understand why some components look the way they do.

**ROOFING NAILS**
- It's not a mistake that nails are poking through the roof on the inside of your building. This is necessary due to building codes requiring shingle nails to “pierce the roof decking material” and does not affect the performance of the roof.

**GALVANIZED STEEL FLOOR JOISTS**
- Tahoe Series sheds include 16-gauge, hot-dipped galvanized steel floor joists, which are designed to be placed directly on any firm, level surface.
- Exposed Steel – These joists are designed to withstand the elements and are exposed after installation. Some customers prefer to cover the steel with “skirting” made from siding. While we can add a skirting, we don't recommend it, since wood siding material contacting the ground can wick up moisture into the building.
- White “Chalking” on the Steel – This appearance is normal and does not affect the performance of the steel or the 40-year industry-rating on the material.
- Small Rectangular Holes in the Steel – During production, small vent holes are punched into the steel. These holes allow for airflow beneath the building.

**LUMBER**
- We use dimensional lumber for wall and roof framing that has been dried, then stored in a controlled environment (our factories) prior to installation. It is unlikely that this wood will have a uniform appearance, and may have blemishes or “waning”. This is normal and will not affect the structural integrity of the building.

**LEVELING BLOCKS and/or SHIMS**
- It's important that buildings are constructed on a level site. When the site is not level, concrete blocks and/or pressure treated wooden shims are used to level the floor system. Charges for leveling a building vary by severity of site condition. Tuff Shed does not dig into the ground to level a building.

**WEATHERTIGHT or AIRTIGHT**
- We strive to make the building weathertight. But they are not airtight. Air and mice can infiltrate your building as they can your home.