INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREHUNG DOORS

The prehung door you have purchased is manufactured to the highest quality standards to give you years of outstanding performance. These prehung doors are specially designed for easy installation. Just follow these step by step instructions for installing your prehung door.

Before you begin

Remove the packaging and take the following precautions with the door.

- 1. Prehung interior doors can be installed immediately. If you are not installing immediately, store your door flat, on a level surface, in a clean, dry, well-ventilated area.
- Avoid excessive warpage or drying. Do not store or install your prehung door in a damp, or freshly dry-walled building. Equally, keep the door at least 4 feet away from heating registers, and away from direct sunlight.
- 3. Handle your prehung door with clean hands or gloves, and lift rather than drag it. The precautions you take now make finishing and installation so much easier later. (Consult your dealer for information on finishing instructions)

Cross section of a typical door installation.

All parts are seen in position in this horizontal section drawing. Note that the hinge pin protrudes about 1/8" beyond the door; there are both left-hand and right-hand hinges for doors that open from either the left or the right. Doorstops fit snugly against the closed door (they are installed with the door in the closed position). The casing is set back slightly from the edge of the jamb to allow removal of the hinge pin. The leading edge of the door is beveled to give the door clearance to swing without leaving a visible gap between the closed door and the jamb on the outside. Pre-hung doors come hinged to their jambs.

Tools Required

All you need is a hammer, phillips screwdriver, 24" level, 24" framing square, nail set, wooden shims, 12d galvanized finish nails, putty knife and wood filler.

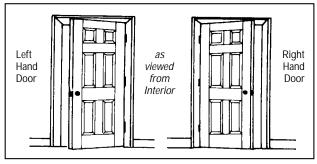
Step 1. Rough Opening

Before you start check to make sure that the rough opening is 2" wider than the door width & 2" higher than the door height. This will allow you to shim and square the door frame easily. Door casing will cover the gap between the rough opening & the door frame.

Flat Jamb Split Jamb - Casing One Piece Two Piece Split Jamb Stop Door Door Casing

STUD ROUGH OPENING (R.O.) ALLOWANCES	
R.O. WIDTH	R.O. HEIGHT
26-1/2"	82"
28-1/2"	82"
30-1/2"	82"
32-1/2"	82"
34-1/2"	82"
36-1/2"	82"
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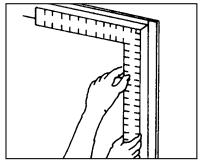
Step 2. Determine Door Swing Required



When the door opens to you, and the knob is on the left, it is a left hand door.

When the door opens to you, and the knob is on the right, it is a right hand door.

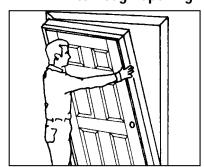
Step 3. Square and Plumb Rough Stud Opening



Make sure:

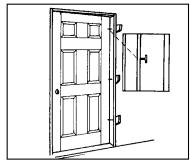
- 1. the threshold is level
- 2. the hinge side of the rough opening is plumb
- the head is square to the hinge side of the rough opening

Step 4. Install Pre-Hung Unit Into Rough Opening



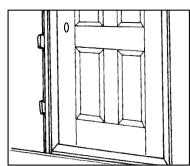
Center the pre-hung unit into the rough opening, bottom first.

Step 5. Nail Hinge Side of Frame



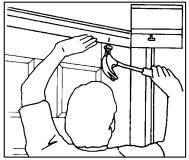
Starting approximately 6" from the top of the frame, nail the hinge side in place first, through the jamb and shim ensuring that the frame is square and plumb. Use a 2" finishing nail. To permit easy withdrawal at a later stage of installation, do not drive the nail all the way in. Place a second nail 6" from the bottom and a third in the middle of the frame.

Step 6. Nail Lock Side of Frame



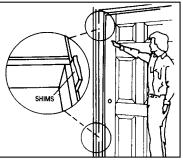
Move to the lock side of the frame. Shim and then repeat Step 5. Nail through the jamb and the shim 6" from the top, 6" from the bottom and at the strike. Use a shim behind each nail.

Step 7. Nail the Remainder Step 8. Making Adjustments of the Frame



Secure header with shims and nails. Position wooden shims between the rough opening and the header. Nail into position through the shims using the 12d finishing nails. (Step 6) Note: Leave the nail heads sticking out slightly in case they have to be removed later.

& Final Installation



If the gap between the door and frame is not equal all the way down, adjustments are needed. Remove the nails at the top or the bottom of the frame and tap the frame over using a hammer until the gap is equal. Further shimming may be required. Then re-nail. Once you are sure that the frame is square, you are ready for final installation and can countersink the nails previously left in position. (Steps 5, 6, and 7)