



STUDIO SHED®

# STUDIO SHED ASSEMBLY TIPS N TRICKS

**After reading through the install drawings** included with your kit, while installing your Studio Shed, refer to this guide for tips and answers to some of the most common DIY questions. These tips come straight from our Certified Installers and Install Support Team who have built hundreds of our sheds. If the answer to your question is not on this page, feel free to contact our installation support team directly, with the contact information provided.

## DELIVERY

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- Prior to delivery: Complete all site work, foundation, and have necessary tools on hand to complete install.
- Plan for 3-4 able bodies to help unload. Have site access prepared. Don't expect a forklift.
- Upon delivery: Check kit to make sure everything is included and undamaged. Contact Studio Shed with issues.

## FOUNDATION

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- Foundation should be exact same size as shed footprint.
- Plan for enough perimeter workspace: 36" on all sides. Careful: Eave Overhang.
- Take proper precautions in wet soils. Extra reinforcement may be necessary.
- Snap chalk lines and make sure your sill plates are square and flush. If concrete slab foundation, hammershot sill plates to concrete prior to wall installation.

## WALL PANELS

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- More time spent on doing these steps carefully will make the rest of the install easier. Loose fit before securing walls permanently!
- Top Plate : Typically Red Painted End : Typically **LVL**  
Sill Plate : Typically Blue Painted End : Typically **LSL**
- 5" screws can be replaced with 4" - 4 1/2" screws. Helps to double up on screws.
- In corners where screws cannot be installed straight on, use 45 degree angle. Helps to double up on screws.

## ROOF

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- Do not let roof sheathing hang over rafter. Keep roof square.
- Timberlok screws can be installed with a jig, found on youtube. Drill set hole first.
- When installing, think bottom up. Back drip edge underneath roof metal, front and sides on top. Proper lapping will help water flow downhill without leaking into the shed. Check install drawings for proper placement.
- For best look, use full drip edge pieces on most visible sides. Only overlap when necessary.
- For best look on front edge, bend drip edge 90° at corners.

## DOORS + WINDOWS

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- Use a fresh razor blade to remove any tape or paint residue.
- Do not spot-fix paint. Use fanning brush strokes to blend in. Mix paint well.
- Dab vertical lock latches with paint. Tap on threshold to mark where to drill into door sill plate.
- Make sure all hinge screws are square and flush to hinge. This can affect door alignment.
- Review manufacturer guides prior to installation.

## SIDING

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- Use ZIP tape to cover gashes that penetrate the green layer of sheathing. The tape ensures the shell stays waterproof.
- Nail through studs. This is more secure and won't leave nails visible.
- Save triangular cuts from sides of shed to use as stencils. Measurements should be the same. Double check prior to cutting.
- Start in the back of the shed. Save best looking boards for most visible sides. We provide one extra of each size.
- Damaged boards can often be fixed with spackle and touch up paint.
- Don't use metal trim around windows.
- Plan ahead! Some field measurements may not exactly match install drawings.

## TRIM

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- Bend on corners of front and side drip edge. This will provide a cleaner look.
- Install soffit boards first when applicable. This helps to prevent damage to fascia and drip edges. Check install drawings for proper placement.
- Use adhesives (not brad nails) when trim will be exposed once finished.

## F.A.Q.

### **How long does it typically take to prepare the build site?**

This will depend on the size and specific requirements of your project. The foundation takes a few days to set up, pour, and set. Depending on how much extra work is needed, discuss a timeline with your contractor to ensure the site is ready for delivery.

### **How long does a full build take?**

This will vary greatly depending on the size and specific requirements of your project. Consult with the Studio Shed team for more details.

### **Can I install the interior myself, too?**

We recommend hiring a professional for any electric and drywall work. Painting, trimming, and flooring can be done by watching DIY videos on YouTube and reading manufacturer guides.

### **Does my kit come with drywall?**

We do not ship drywall with the kit. Check out our Scope of Work document for other inclusions and exclusions.

### **Do I need a permit before I start building?**

Depending on the size and location of your shed, your community may require you to obtain a permit. Check with your local zoning department for details. If a permit is necessary, tell your sales rep. Studio Shed can help!

### **Can I rent equipment to help me unload my shed upon delivery?**

Though it is not typical, some jobs require extra equipment. Lowes and Home Depot both offer equipment rentals if the shipping company does not have delivery equipment available.

### **Can my Studio Shed get wet?**

We build our wall panels with Huber ZIP System Sheathing and Tape, which makes the siding waterproof. Once the roof is properly installed your Studio Shed will be completely waterproof. See manufacturer product description for more detail on our sheathing.

### **Are the windows pre-assembled?**

Yes. Our wall panels come with full wall assemblies pre-installed. Use caution while handling wall panels.

### **What is not included in my Studio Shed kit?**

Depending on what style of kit you order your package will be different. Review the Shopping List for more detail.

### **Is there a warranty?**

Yes. Studio Shed provides a one year warranty for our products. After one year, individual product manufacturer warranties kick in. For more details, see the warranty page on our website.

### **If I have questions during my install, how can I contact Studio Shed?**

Double check this document, install guides, and your installation drawings. If you cannot find an answer, contact our Installation Hotline, contact information below.

### **Who do I call if I need assistance on the weekend?**

As best you can, plan ahead for questions you may have and contact the Hotline during normal business hours.

## RESOURCES

### **ASSEMBLY RESOURCES (INCL. SHIPPING):**

<https://www.studio-shed.com/installation-resources/>

### **VIDEO GUIDES:**

<https://vimeo.com/user110768479>

## CONTACT

### **Installation Hotline:**

**888 . 900 . 3933 - Ext. 2**

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