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Stainless Steel Corner Guards Installation Instructions



GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Installing Stainless Steel corner guards is easy when the instructions described below are followed. Before beginning, the wall corners must be cleaned and checked for soundness. Any loose wall should be repaired so that there are no large gaps, jagged edges, large broken/open sections, etc.

Some corner guards are available with heavy-duty, double-sided tape, some with holes pre-drilled (and perhaps countersunk) and some with both. Be sure to select the features that are most appropriate for the environmental and the installer. Stainless Steel Corner Guards can be manufactured in a myriad of standard and custom sizes so that they will appropriately fit any individual wall corner; this eliminates the need for cutting and fitting on the jobsite.

INSTALLATION PREPARATION

First, clean off all dust, dirt, debris and grease from the wall corner surface. Make sure that the surface is completely dry before proceeding with the installation. Guards and adhesives (if any) should be no less than 70° Fahrenheit (21° Celsius) 48 hours prior to, during and after installation.

INSTALLING CORNER GUARDS WITH DOUBLE-SIDED TAPE

OVERVIEW: Installing Stainless Steel corner guards with double-sided tape is quick and easy. (If modifications in the field are necessary, first trim the guard to specified size using a carbide edge jig saw blade prior to installation). Once ready, the tape backing is peeled off from one side and adhered to the wall. Afterward, the remaining backing is removed and the guard must be pressed firmly along the entire length to ensure a strong bond.

STEP 1

Wall surfaces must be clean, dry, and free from dust and grease. Wipe the wall surface with a solvent to assure all grease, dust, and dirt are removed. Make sure that the cleaning solvent used will not damage the finish on the wall surface.

STEP 2

Corner guards can be ordered in virtually any size. However, if required, corner guards can be trimmed in the field by using a #T118EHM Carbide Edge "T" shank Jig Saw blade by BOSCH. Cuts must be made using the slowest speed possible and the Stainless Steel must be kept cool to avoid burning. Ensure that all cuts are square and burr-free.

STEP 3

Peel off the backing tape from one leg entirely. Next, peel back and partially "dog ear" the tape to the side on the second leg (see image below). Place the leg with the fully exposed tape to the wall and then remove the remainder of the dog-eared tape backing from the second leg. Finally, press firmly along the entire length of the corner protector beginning at the bottom and working upwards to ensure a good, firm bond.



INSTALLING CORNER GUARDS WITH HOLES AND SCREWS

OVERVIEW: For a more permanent installation, Stainless Steel corner guards are available with predrilled holes so that the guards may be screwed directly into the wall for greater durability. First, the wall surface must be thoroughly cleaned. Then, if field modifications are necessary, use a carbide edge jig saw blade to cut the guard to the specific length. Finally, align the guard with the wall corner and securely fasten it using screws for long-lasting protection.

STEP 1

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STEP 2

Corner guards can be ordered cut to size; however, if required, you can cut the corner guard by using a #T118EHM Carbide Edge "T" shank Jig Saw blade by BOSCH. Cut on the slowest speed possible and keep the Stainless Steel cool to avoid burning. Make sure that all cuts are square and burr-free.

STEP 3

Set the corner guard into its proper position on the wall corner and, using the appropriate hardware, drill the screws into the wall through the pre-drilled holes. Ensure the corner guard is securely fastened and tight against the wall.

MAINTENANCE TIPS

Follow these simple steps to correctly care for Stainless Steel corner guards will help ensure years of safe, effective protection and are thus recommended:

When cleaning is necessary, wipe with dry cloth or slightly damp rag, using clean room-temperature water. Do not flood the guard and adjacent wall.

For tougher dirt and debris, a slightly damp cloth and a solution of liquid detergent suitable for Stainless Steel (such as Simple Green) should help; Windex can also be used. In stubborn cases, using a slightly abrasive sponge may be needed – test in an inconspicuous area before applying elsewhere. Do NOT use steel wool. Immediately wipe down guards with clean water after any detergents are used.

Periodically check that guards continue to firmly hug the wall and are not hanging loose in any area. Also check that edges are not curling up or outward so that nothing catches on them.

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