

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR DINGEWOOD BOX BEAMS

### MEASURE TWICE, CUT ONCE

- Measure room, and layout placement of beams on the floor/wall. Use masking tape on floor or wall to protect from marking finishes. Then mark outside edges of beam with a pencil or marker.
  - *TIP: Layout of outside of beam ensures proper spacing and layout.*
- Measure inside dimension of Dingewood beam and mark on floor or wall where previously marked.
  - *TIP: This may be done at the same time as Step 1*
- Transfer inside dimension of beams to the ceiling.
  - *TIP: Mark the inside of beam where the wall meets ceiling, then use a chalk line to snap a straight line.*
- Measure in between walls along the lines just marked.
- Install a 1×2 or 2×2 nailer on ceiling directly along the inside of the chalk-line. Fasten nailer with screws or nails to joists or trusses. You may use a stud finder to find joists/ trusses. If no joists/ trusses are available, you may install drywall anchors and glue for Dingewood Beam spans less than 16'. Use new blocking for spans over 16'.
  - *TIP: Use straight materials for nailers. Nailers may be any ¾" or 1 ½" materials.*
- Checks to make sure walls are plumb where beam will sit.
  - *TIP: The use of levels come in handy.*
- Take a measurement in between walls where ceiling beam will sit.
- Check the length of beam, cut one end square or adjust for profile of wall, then measure beam and cut other end and adjust to wall if necessary.
  - *TIP: Measure twice cut once. You can use a sander to shape ends if necessary.*

### INSTALLATION

- With the use of proper ladders or scaffolding, raise beam over previously installed nailers. Use trim gun/ trim nails to fasten beam in place.
  - *TIP: A trim gun helps make installation quick and easy.*
- Caulk ceiling and wall joints if necessary.
  - *TIP: Use masking tape to protect beam and walls from caulk.*
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