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The Complete Cladding Solution

Freefoam manufacture a range of long lasting, low maintenance cladding systems. Designed for high performance with high specification standards, Freefoam PVC-UE cladding is produced with our environmentally friendly lead free formulation, and guaranteed to stand the test of time.

Easy to install

All Freefoam cladding products are easy to fit. Both the standard PVC-U and Aluminium range of fitting trims ensure every installation is straightforward, designed to create a neat and professional finish.

Very low maintenance

PVC-UE is a very stable material. Cladding products made from PVC-UE do not require repainting or regular maintenance. A simple wipe-down with a damp cloth is all that's required to keep Freefoam cladding products looking their best. This offers a major long-term advantage over wood cladding saving time and money.

Cut heating costs with exterior cladding

With heating costs always a concern, fitting exterior wall cladding can provide the ideal solution to insulate your home. When installed with generic insulation materials, The Building Research Establishment's (BRE) 'Green Guide to Specification' has given PVC cladding an A+ rating.

Versatile

Freefoam cladding can be used on all types of exteriors including brick, masonry and concrete. Suitable for a wide variety of projects and situations, offering an attractive facade for both traditional and contemporary projects.

- New Build projects, both domestic and commercial
- Feature wall on a home extension.
- Replace timber cladding with long lasting PVC-U
- Replace hanging tiles with cladding.
- Replace tired and cracked render with new PVC cladding.
- Garden room or home office.

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Anthracite Grey

Oak

Shiplap and Open V Cladding

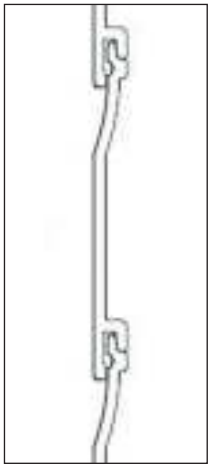
As the name suggests, shiplap cladding earned its name from the way ships were built in the past.

- Shiplap and Open V cladding have a rebate at the bottom of the plank and a scalloped profile at the top.
- Shiplap and Open V cladding can be fitted horizontally or vertically
- Available in smooth gloss white finish
- Ideal for dormer roof extension and gable end.

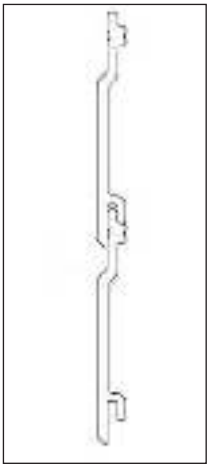
Guaranteed to stay white
Prolonged exposure to Ultra Violet (UV) light from the sun can damage our skin – and it has the same effect on PVC causing it to degrade over time. Freefoam white cladding is manufactured using a natural mineral called titanium dioxide – the same product is used in sun cream! It guarantees white cladding products to stay bright white for up to 10 years.

FC151 Shiplap

FV100 Open V



Profile of fitted boards (FC151)



Profile of fitted boards (FV100)

Colour Range

White
Nearest RAL 9003

Woodgrain Shiplap and Open V Cladding

Woodgrain finish cladding is suitable for both new installations and refurbishment, including feature walls and dormer extensions. Match to PVC woodgrain fascia, windows and doors.

- Available in two widths, 150mm and 100mm
- Wide colour range

Manufactured to last
Freefoam work with world leading woodgrain film manufacturers for all woodgrain cladding to provide a durable fade resistant product.

The film features technologies in the base film to prevent the build up of heat, reducing the surface temperature. The upper transparent layer helps prevent fading and improves weather resistance.

This technology allows Freefoam to offer a ten year guarantee on all woodgrain cladding products.

FC151 Shiplap

FV100 Open V

Colour	Code	FC151	FV100
Anthracite Grey	WGAG	▯	▯
Black Ash	WGB	▯	▯
Agate Grey	WGATE	1	
Light Oak	WGO	▯	▯
Rosewood	WGR	▯	▯

Woodgrain Shiplap and Open V Cladding Range

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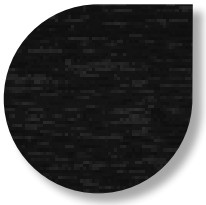
Anthracite Grey
Nearest RAL 7016



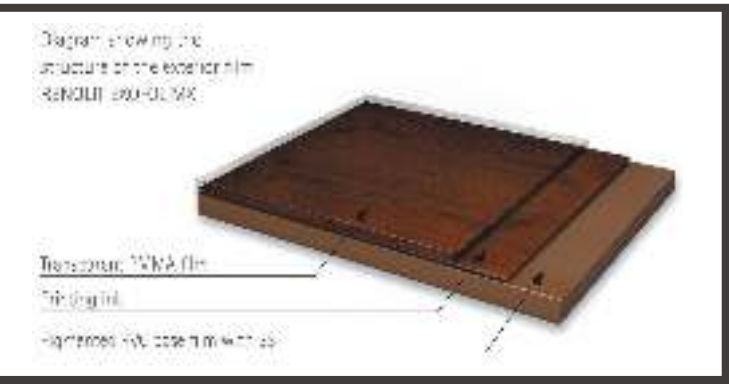
Black Ash
Nearest RAL 8515

Agate Grey
No nearest RAL

Light Oak
Nearest RAL 8001

Rosewood
Nearest RAL 8017

Detail of Woodgrain finish
(Light Oak finish pictured)



Fortex Embossed Cladding

Fortex® is a range of innovative exterior PVC cladding products that features an authentic embossed wood effect finish.

Three profiles:

- Double Shiplap
- Weatherboard
- Shadow Gap

Superior Durability

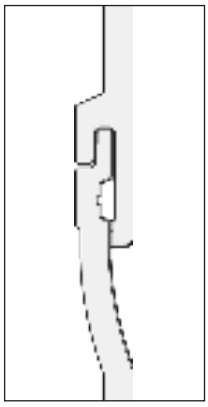
The Fortex® cladding range is manufactured as a long-term decorative cladding solution, designed to withstand weather and external conditions.

Guaranteed for up to 10 years*, backed by Freefoam's environmentally friendly lead-free formulation.

Double Shiplap

One board with a Shiplap design, covers large areas quickly.

FCD333E Double Shiplap

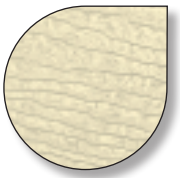


Profile of fitted boards

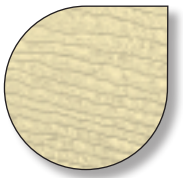
Fortex Double Shiplap

Fortex Embossed PVC-U Cladding Range

White
Nearest RAL 9003

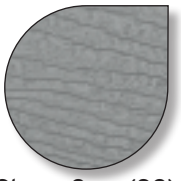


Pale Gold (PG)
Nearest RAL 1013



Sand (SAND)
No Nearest RAL

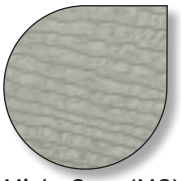
Cappuccino (CAP)
No Nearest RAL



Storm Grey (SG)
Nearest RAL 7045

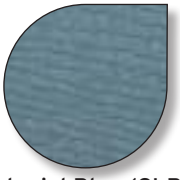
Slate Grey (SLG)
Nearest RAL 7015

Anthracite Grey (AG)
Nearest RAL 7016



Misty Grey (MG)
Nearest RAL 7038

Argyl Brown (AB)
No Nearest RAL



Colonial Blue (CLB)
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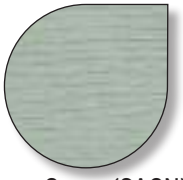

Sage Green (SAGN)
No Nearest RAL

Colour	Code	FCD333E
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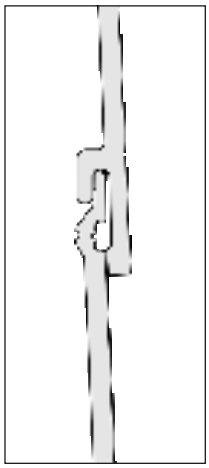
Pale Gold	PG	▯
Sand	SAND	▯
Misty Grey	MG	▯
Storm Grey	SG	▯
Slate Grey	SLG	▯
Anthracite Grey	AG	▯
Colonial Blue	CLB	▯
Cappuccino	CAP	▯
Argyl Brown	AB	▯
Sage Green	SAGN	▯

* 5 year guarantee applies to dark colours, Cappuccino, Argyl Brown, Storm Grey, Slate Grey, Colonial Blue, Sage Green, Anthracite Grey

Weatherboard

Weatherboard cladding, sometimes known as featheredge cladding, features a tapered board. Designed to be laid with an overlap to create a 'New England' look.

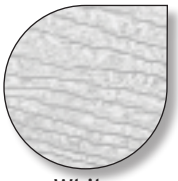
FCF170E Weatherboard



Profile of fitted boards

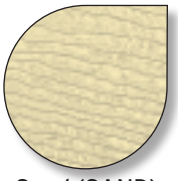
Fortex Weatherboard

Weatherboard Range

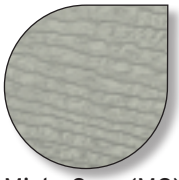


White
Nearest RAL 9003

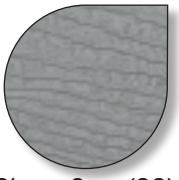
Pale Gold (PG)
Nearest RAL 1013



Sand (SAND)
No Nearest RAL



Misty Grey (MG)
Nearest RAL 7038



Storm Grey (SG)
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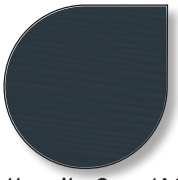
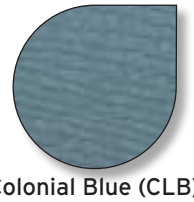
Slate Grey (SLG)
Nearest RAL 7015



Anthracite Grey (AG)
Nearest RAL 7016

Pale Blue (PB)
No Nearest RAL



Colonial Blue (CLB)
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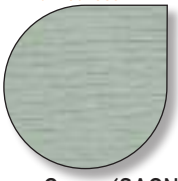
Argyl Brown (AB)
No Nearest RAL



Sage Green (SAGN)
No Nearest RAL

Colour	Code	FCF170E
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Pale Gold	PG	▯
Sand	SAND	▯
Misty Grey	MG	▯
Storm Grey	SG	▯
Slate Grey	SLG	▯
Anthracite Grey	AG	▯
Colonial Blue	CLB	▯
Argyl Brown	AB	▯
Sage Green	SAGN	▯
Pale Blue	PB	▯

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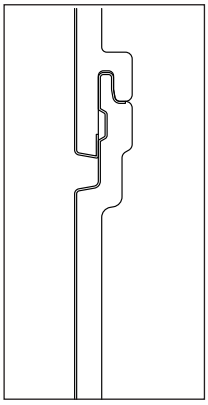
Shadow Gap

Shadow Gap cladding features a NEW subtle 'pine' embossed finish and attractive deep groove between boards. Co-extruded with a rigid foam core and durable embossed textured surface.

Fit horizontally or vertically, to create an instant transformation ideal for any new build or home improvement project.

A full cladding system with a wide range of fitting accessoires In PVC and Aluminium.

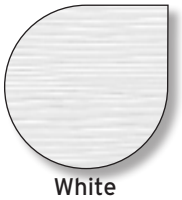
FCG182PE Shadow Gap



Profile of fitted boards

Boards fitted together

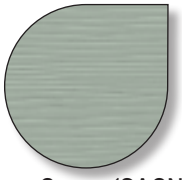
Shadow Gap Range



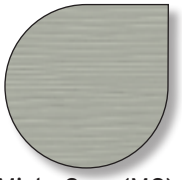
White
Nearest RAL 9003

Pale Gold (PG)
Nearest RAL 1013

Cappuccino (CAP)
No Nearest RAL



Sage Green (SAGN)
No Nearest RAL



Misty Grey (MG)
Nearest RAL 7038

Storm Grey (SG)
Nearest RAL 7045

Anthracite Grey (MG)
Nearest RAL 7016

Colour	Code	FCG182PE
White		▯
Pale Gold	PG	▯
Cappuccino	CAP	▯
Sage Green	SAGN	▯
Misty Grey	MG	▯
Storm Grey	SG	▯
Anthracite Grey	AG	▯

Detail of Pine Embossed finish
(Misty Grey pictured)

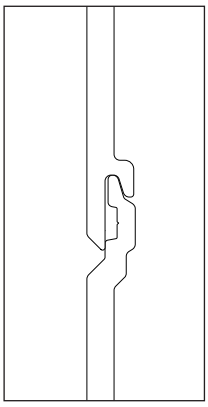
Fortex Naturale

Fortex Naturale Cladding is a V-Groove style cladding with the natural look of wood.

Innovative Technology
This innovative product is manufactured using state of the art digital printing technology creating a façade that is hard to distinguish from real wood.

Authentic Wood Finishes
- A beautiful range of authentic looking wood finishes of both traditional and contemporary grains imposed on to Freefoam's foam PVC cladding boards.
- A choice of six wood decors

FVC150N1 Fortex Natura



Profile of fitted boards

Boards fitted together

Colour	Code	FCV150N1
Malted Oak	MO	▯
Grey Cedar	GC	▯
Barnwood Oak	BO	▯
Siberian Larch	SL	▯
Greyed Oak	GYO	▯
Aged Padauk	AP	▯

Fortex Naturale Range

Malted Oak (MO)

Grey Cedar (GC)

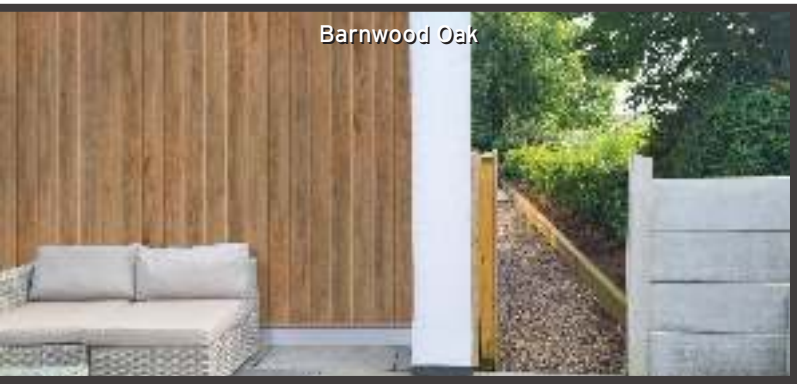
Barnwood Oak (BO)

Siberian Larch (SL)

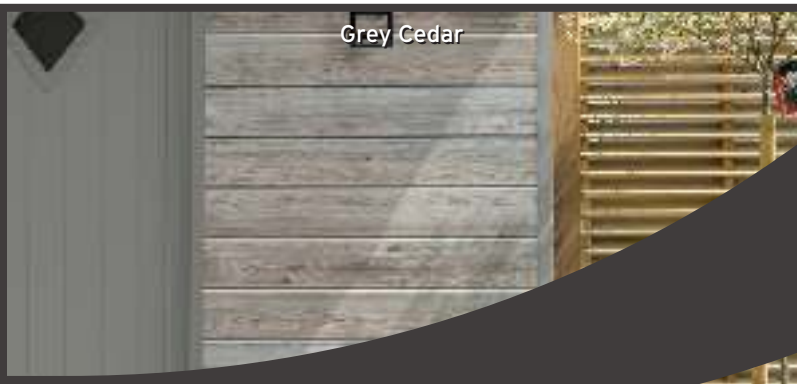
Greyed Oak (GYO)

Aged Padauk (AP)

Detail of wood finish (Malted Oak pictured)



Barnwood Oak



Grey Cedar

X-Wood Cladding

A highly durable composite cladding system that provides a contemporary attractive exterior façade. Perfect for any new build project or property renovation, X-Wood cladding is guaranteed to provide a weatherproof exterior for 10 years.

- 16mm thick board
- Smooth woodgrain finish featuring industry leading Renolit film
- Aluminium fitting trims

FCV143 X-Wood Cladding

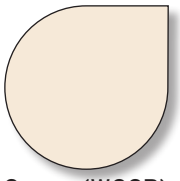
X-WOOD CLADDING

- Heavy duty plastic foam core
- A durable solid plastic skin
- A superior coating from market leading Renolit colour film manufacturer featuring a woodgrain effect finish
- X-Wood is guaranteed for 10 years and offers an attractive contemporary look

10 year guarantee

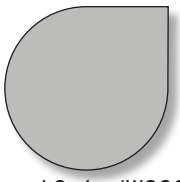
1 Heavy Duty Core
2 Durable Solid Plastic Skin
3 Renolit® Colour Film

X-Wood Cladding Range



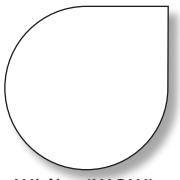
Cream (WGCR)
Nearest RAL 9001

Wine Red (WGWR)
Nearest RAL 3005



Greyed Cedar (WGGC)
No Nearest RAL

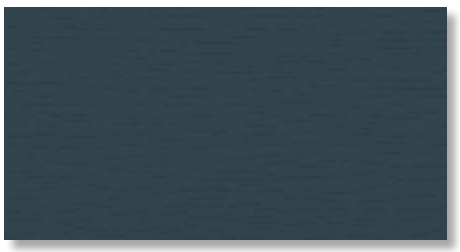
Anthracite Grey (WGAG)
Nearest RAL 7016



White (WGW)
Nearest RAL 9016

Oak (WGO)
No Nearest RAL

Colour	Code	FCG182PE
Cream	WGCR	▯
Wine Red	WGWR	▯
Greyed Cedar	WGGC	▯
Anthracite	WGAG	▯
White	WGW	▯
Oak	WGO	▯



Detail of X-Wood finish
(Anthracite Grey finish pictured)

PVC Cladding Accessories

Shiplap, Open V, Double Shiplap and Weatherboard & Shadow Gap

FC3013/FC301E3
2 Part Edge Trim

FC3023/FC302E3
Universal Edge Trim

FC3043/FC304E3
2 Part External
Corner Trim

FC3153/FC315E3
2 Part H Trim

FC3123
25mm Multi Vent
Starter Trim

FC3123 (Grey)
25mm Multi Vent
Starter Trim

FC311E3
25mm Multi Vent
Starter Trim/Cover Trim

FC206
Drip Trim

FCA3063
Aluminium Drip Trim

FC307E3
2 Part Internal
Corner Trim

FCF2123
Starter Trim

FC318E3
Reveal Liner, 'H' Edge/
Extension Trim

FC319E3
2 Part Reveal Liner

FC210
Butt Joint, Shiplap

FCD210E
Butt Joint, 333mm
Double Shiplap

FCF209E
Butt Joint,
Weatherboard

FV209
Butt Joint, Open V

FCD209E
Butt Joint, 300mm
Double Shiplap

ACSS250
Cladding Screws

FC317E3
2 Part 135°
Corner Trim

FCG209E
Butt Joint,
Shadow Gap

Shiplap and Open V

Code	Description	Unit	Per pack	White	Grey (GY)	Aluminium Grey	AGATE GREY (WGATE)	Light Oak (WGO)	Black Ash (WGB)	Rosewood (WGR)	Anthracite Grey (WGAG)
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FV209	100mm Open V Cladding Butt Joint	Piece	10	▯				▯	▯	▯	▯
FC3013	2 Part Edge Trim	3m	5	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC3023	Universal Edge Trim	3m	5	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC3043	2 Part External Corner Trim	3m	5	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC3153	2 part H trim	3m	5	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC3123	25mm Multi Vent Starter Trim	3m	5	▯	▯						
FC311E3	25mm 2 part Multi Vent Starter/Cover Trim	3m	5	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC206	Drip Trim	5m	5	▯							
FCA3063	Drip Trim Aluminium	3m	6			▯					
FCF2123	Starter Trim	3m	5	▯							
FC319E3	2 Part Reveal Liner	3m	1	▯							
FC318E3	Reveal Liner, 'H' Edge/Extension Trim	3m	5	▯							
ACSS250	Cladding Screws	30mm	250			▯					

Double Shiplap & Weatherboard

Code	Description	Unit	Per pack	White	Grey (GY)	Aluminium Grey	Sand (SAND)	Pale Gold (PG)	Pale Blue (PB)	Cappuccino (CAP)	Argyl Brown (AB)	Misty Grey (MG)	Storm Grey (SG)	Slate Grey (SLG)	Anthracite Grey (AG)	Colonial Blue (CBL)	Sage Green (SAGN)
FCD210E	333mm Double Shiplap Butt Joint	Piece	10	▯			▯	▯		▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FCF209E	170mm Weatherboard Butt Joint	Piece	10	▯			▯	▯	▯		▯	▯	▯		▯	▯	▯
FCG209E3	Shadow Gap Butt Joint	Piece	10	▯				▯		▯		▯	▯		▯		▯
FC301E3*	2 Part Edge Trim	3m	5	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC302E3*	Universal Edge Trim	3m	5	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC304E3*	2 Part External Corner Trim	3m	5	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC307E3	2 Part Internal Corner Trim	3m	5	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC315E3*	2 Part 'H' Trim	3m	5	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC317E3	2 Part 135° Corner Trim	3m	1	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC3123*	25mm Multi Vent Starter Trim	3m	5	▯	▯												
FC311E3	25mm 2 part Multi Vent Starter/Cover Trim	3m	1	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC206	Drip Trim	5m	5	▯													
FCA3063	Aluminium Drip Trim	3m	6			▯											
FCF2123*	Starter Trim	3m	5	▯													
FC319E3	2 Part Reveal Liner	3m	1	▯			▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC318E3	H' Edge/Extension Trim	3m	1	▯			▯	▯		▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
ACSS250	Cladding Screws	30mm	250			▯											

* Can be bought in single pack quantities.

X-Wood Aluminium and PVC Fitting Accessories:

2 part trim with PVC base and aluminium cover

FCA3013
2 Part 'U' Trim

FCA3023
'J' Trim

FCA3043
2 Part External Corner Trim

FCA3153
2 Part 'H' Trim

FCA3163
Cover trim for Vented Starter Trim

FC3123
PVC 25mm Multi Vent Starter Trim

FC3123 (Grey)
PVC 25mm Multi Vent Starter Trim

FVC209
Butt Joint, X-Wood

FCA3123
Aluminium Starter Trim

FCA3063
Aluminium Drip Trim

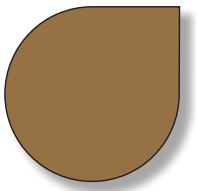
ACSS250
Cladding Screws

X-Wood

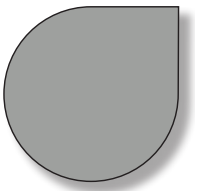
Code	Description	Unit	Per pack	White	Grey (GY)	Aluminium Grey	White (WGW)	Cream (WGCR)	Oak (WGO)	Greyed Cedar (WGGC)	Wine Red (WGWR)	Anthracite Grey (WGAG)
FCV209	X-Wood (Woodgrain) Butt Joint	Piece	10				▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FCA3013	2 Part 'U' Trim	3m	5				▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FCA3023	'J' Trim	3m	5				▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FCA3043	2 Part External Corner Trim	3m	5				▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FCA3153	2 Part 'H' Trim	3m	5				▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FCA3163	Cover Trim for Vented Starter Trim	3m	5				▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FC3123	PVC 25mm Multi Vent Starter Trim	3m	5	▯	▯							
FCA3123	Aluminium Starter Trim	3m	5			▯						
FCA3063	Aluminium Drip Trim	3m	6			▯						
ACSS250	Cladding Screws	30mm	250			▯						

Fortex Naturale Aluminium and PVC Fitting Accessories

Trim Colours



Malted Oak (MO)
RAL 8008M



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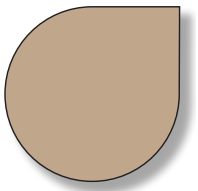

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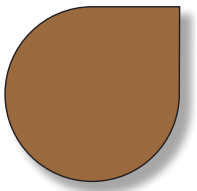
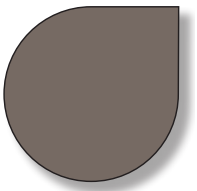
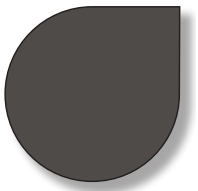


Siberian Larch (SL)
RAL 8003M



Greyed Oak (GYO)
RAL 7006M



Aged Padauk (AP)
RAL 7022M

FCA302N1
'J' Trim

FCA3043N1
2 Part External
Corner Trim

FCA3153N1
2 Part 'H' Trim

FCA3163N1
Cover Trim

FC3123
PVC 25mm Multi
Vent Starter Trim

FCA3063
Aluminium Drip
Trim

ACSS250
Cladding Screws

Fortex Naturale

Code	Description	Unit	Per pack	Grey	Malted Ohak (MO)	Grey Cedar (GC)	Barnwod Oak (BO)	Siberian Larch (SL)	Greyed Oak (GYO)	Aged Padauk (AP)
FCV150N1	150mm Fortex Natura	5m	4		▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FCA3023N1	J Trim	3m	2		▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FCA3043N1	2 Part External Corner Trim	3m	2		▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FCA3153N1	2 Part H Trim	3m	2		▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FCA3163N1	Cover Trim for Ventilated Starter Trim	3m	2		▯	▯	▯	▯	▯	▯
FCA3123	25mm Multi Vented Starter Trim	3m	5	▯						
FCA3063	Drip Trim	3m	1	▯						
ACSS250	Cladding Screws	30mm	250							

Cladding Installation

Installation Checklist

To be checked	☐
Correct screws used	
Screws do not puncture the cladding	
Sufficient expansion gaps allowed	
Correct batten size used	
Battens fixed at correct centres – see tables below	
Cladding screw fixed at every batten	
Ventilation profile installed at top and bottom	

Batten Size

Use 25mm x 50mm Batten for all Freefoam cladding.

Centres

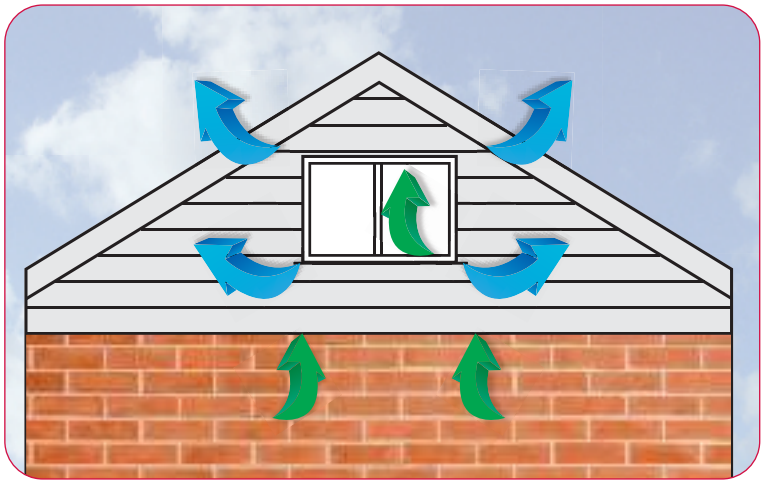
Use 400mm Batten Centre for all Freefoam cladding.

Important Information

VENTILATION

Continuous ventilation from the bottom to the top of the installation is critical to the performance of the cladding. A minimum of 25mm ventilation space should be allowed between the cladding and the breather membrane, insulation or wall.

It is essential that continuous ventilation is maintained between the vertical battens from top to bottom and adequate expansion is allowed for at the ends of the boards.



Green - Air Inlet • Blue - Air Outlet

Installation instructions

Instructions for fitting WITH INSULATION

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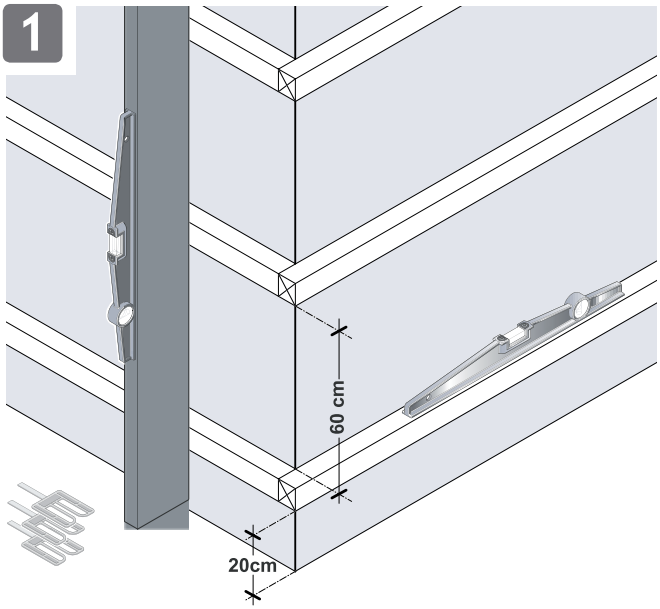

Affix softwood counter battens to suit chosen insulation in accordance with the spacings specified. Secure with suitable screws.

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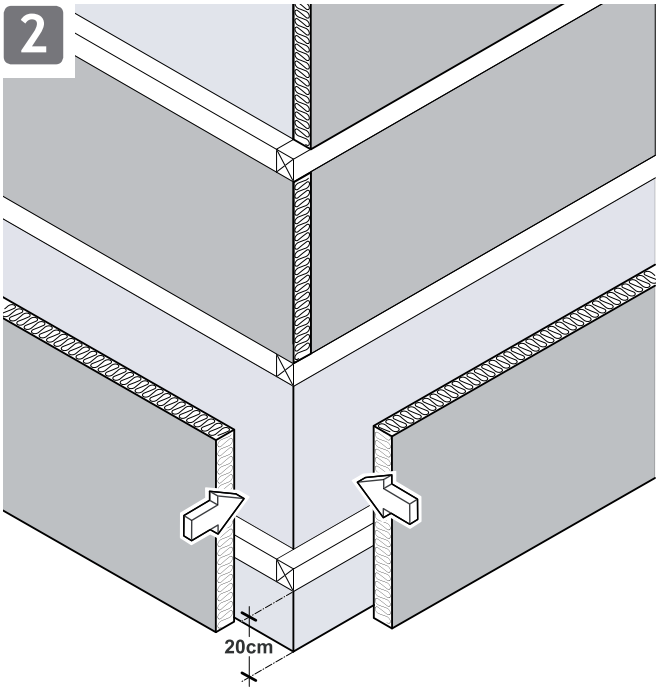

Place your thermal insulation between the counter battens with reference to insulation manufacturers instructions.

Instructions for fitting WITHOUT INSULATION

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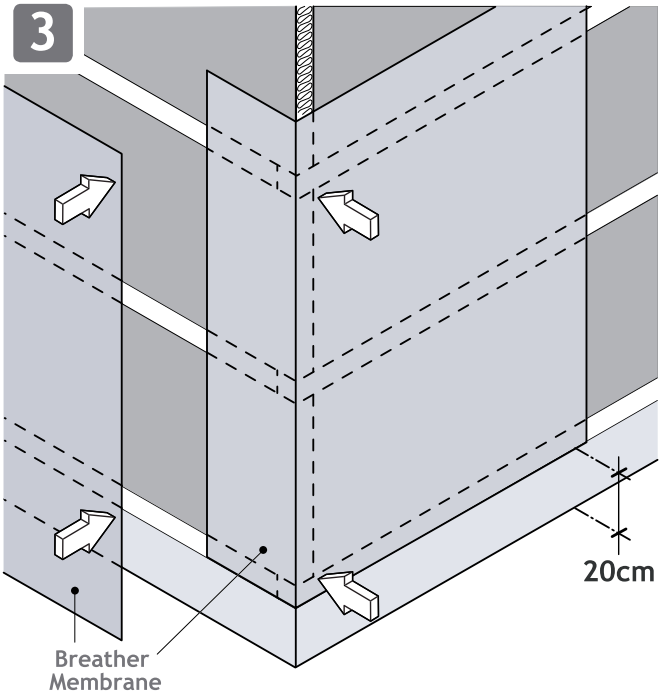

Affix breather membrane* to cover entire surface to be clad. (Ensure membrane is lapped according to manufacturer's instructions)

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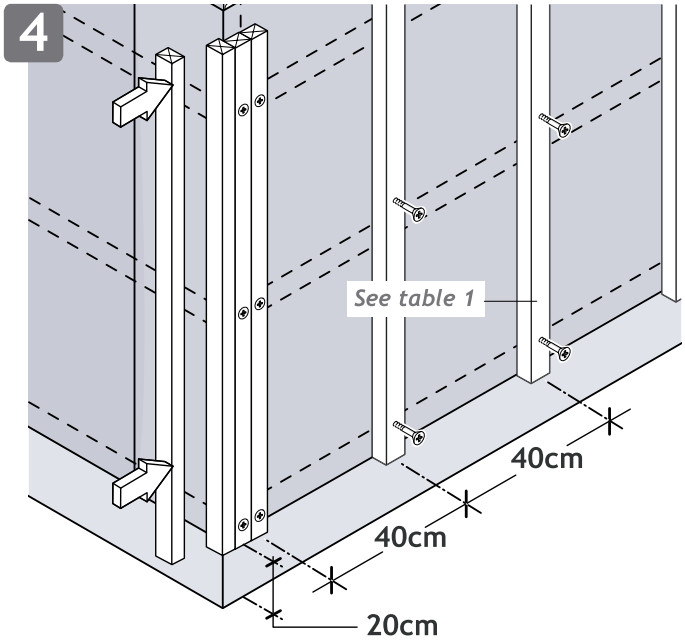

Fix cladding battens; Use double battens at corners,edges and junctions. Refer to diagrams 5, 6, 7, 8 & 15 before cutting battens to length.

* not manufactured by Freefoam Building Products

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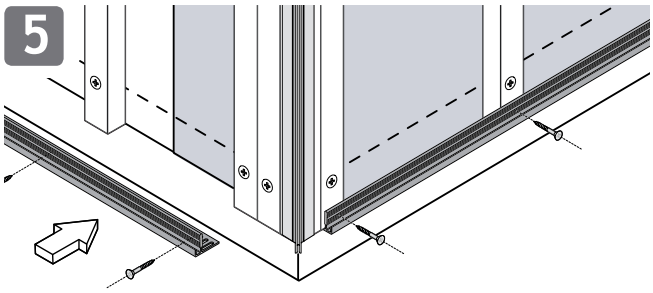

Fix ventilated starter trim. see Diagram 7.

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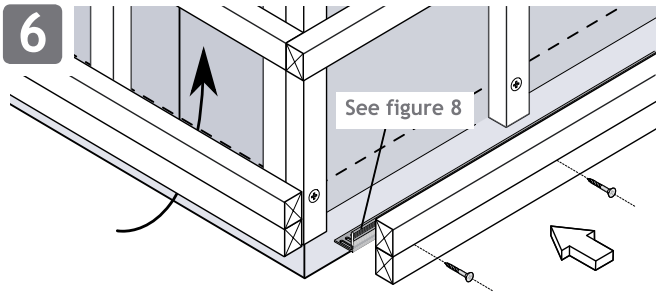
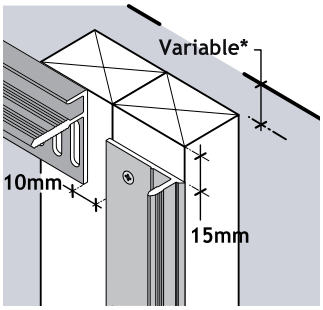
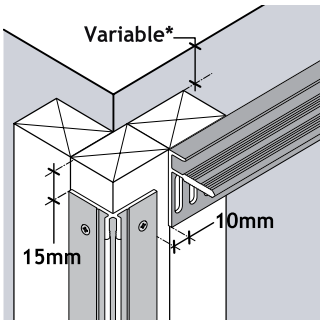
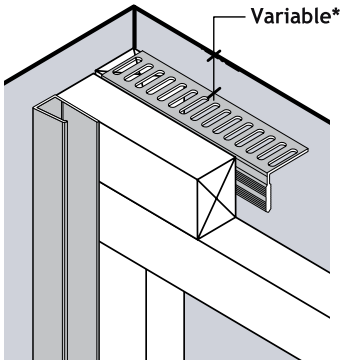
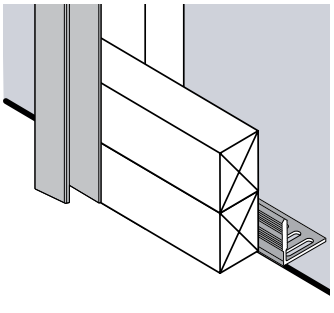


If fixing cladding vertically, fix horizontal battens over vertical counter battens.



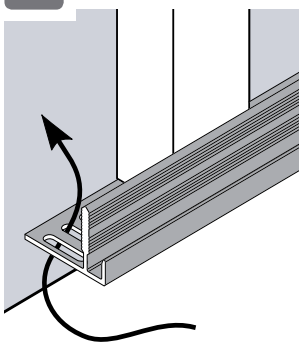


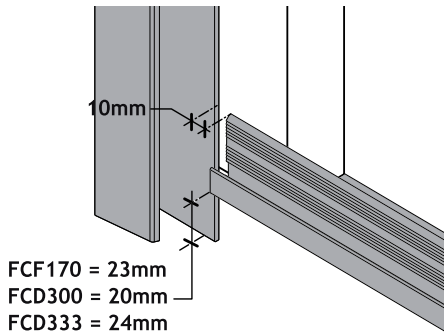


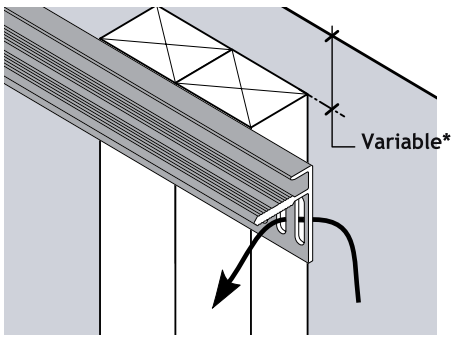


Fix 1 part trims, first part of 2 part trims & vented starter trims. Refer to Diagrams 5, 6, 7 & 8.

7 PVC Vented Starter/Closer

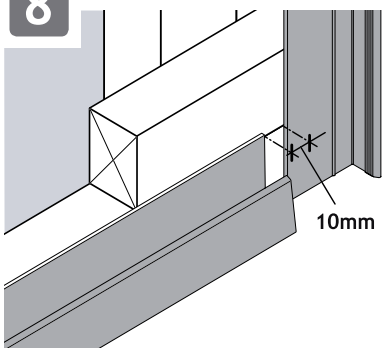


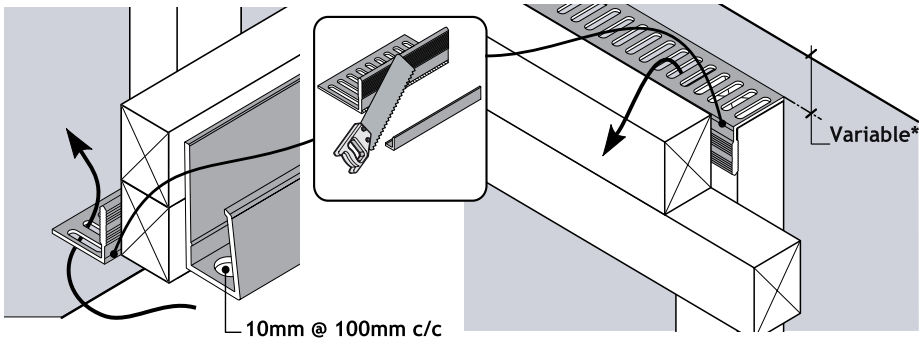




*Allow space for fixing cover trim if required. See figure 14

8 Vertical Cladding Details





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Both multifunction & standard trims can be used for vertical and horizontal cladding

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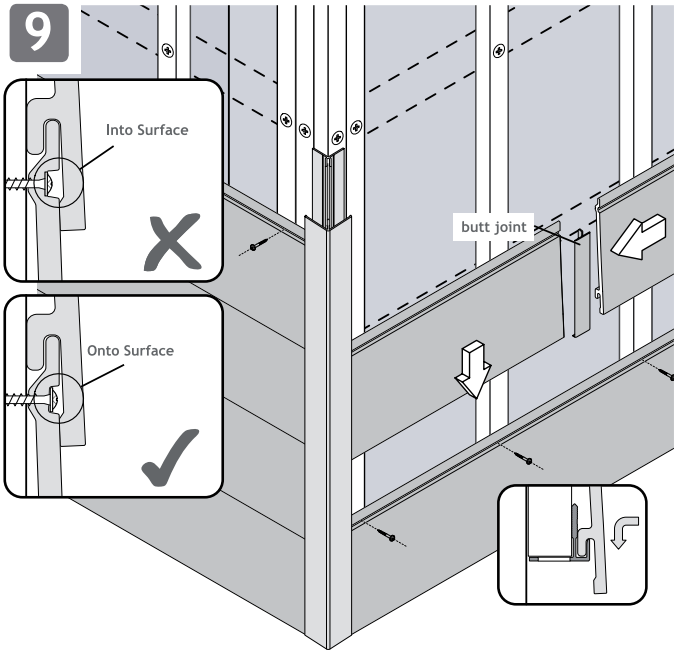

Slot the first row of cladding planks into the vented starter trim. (or starter trim) and Multifunction Trims. Allow expansion gaps at all edges and junctions. See Diagrams 11, 12 , 13 & 14.
Do not drive the screw or nail through the surface of the cladding as this will prevent the plank from moving if it expands.

Install the cladding planks from left to right and secure with 3.5 x 30mm corrosion resistant screws. Do not use force during the installation and screwing.

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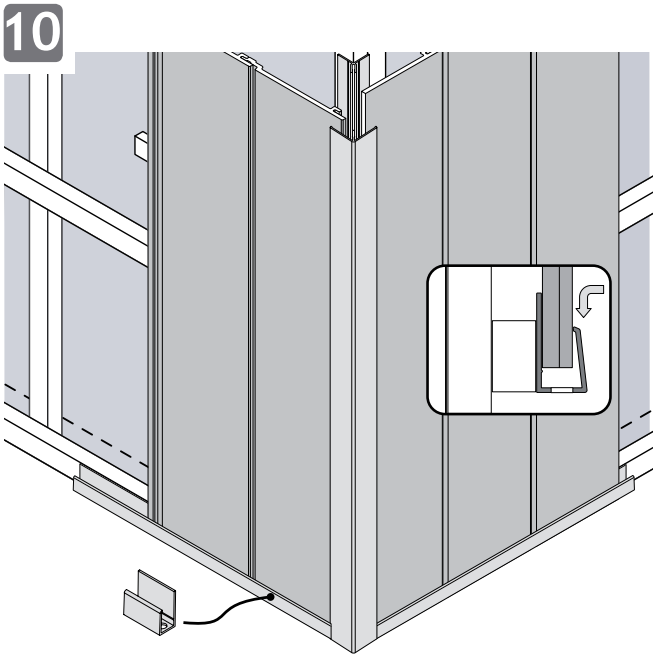
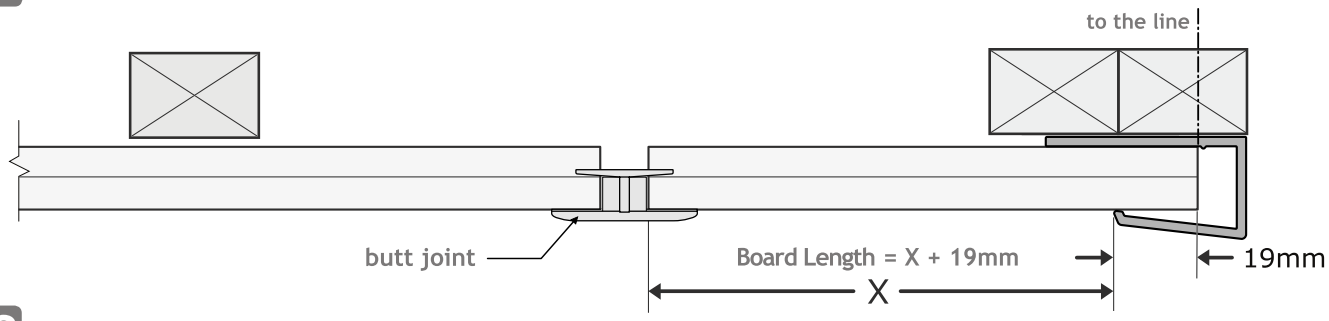


slot vertical planks into a J trim with 10mm drainage holes drilled at 100mm centres. Allow expansion gaps at all edges and junctions. See Diagrams 11, 12 & 13.
Do not drive the screw or nail through the surface of the cladding as this will prevent the plank from moving if it expands.

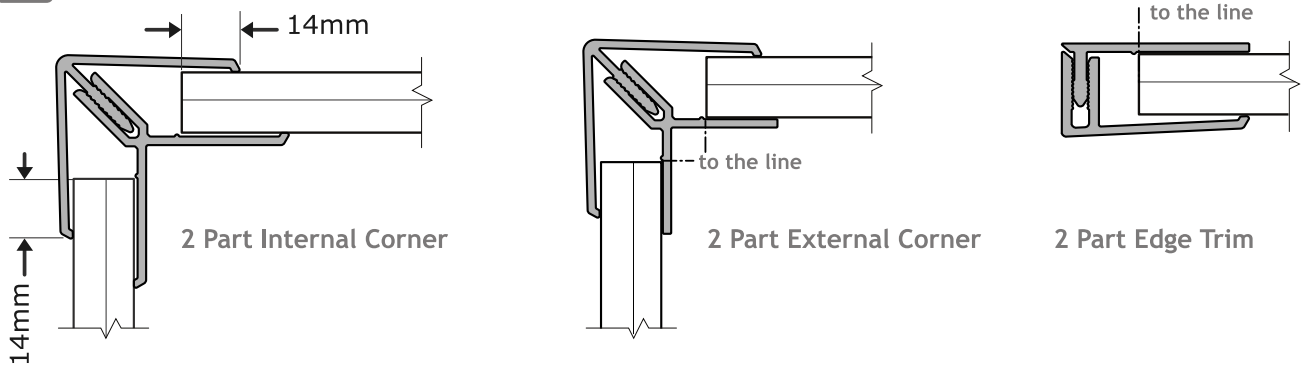
Install vertical cladding planks from right to left and secure with 3.5 x 30mm corrosion resistant screws. Do not use force during the installation and screwing.

When all cladding is in place. Fix second parts of finishing trims. See figures 13 & 15

11 Expansion



12 3 Series Trims



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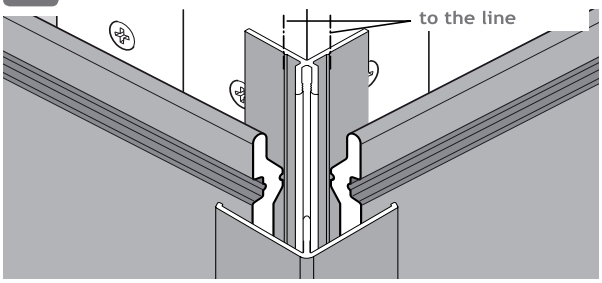

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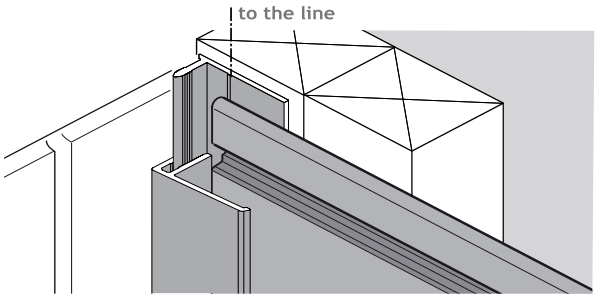

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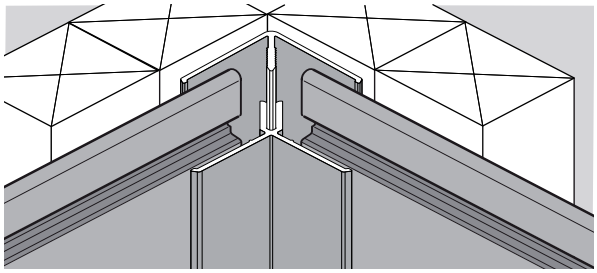
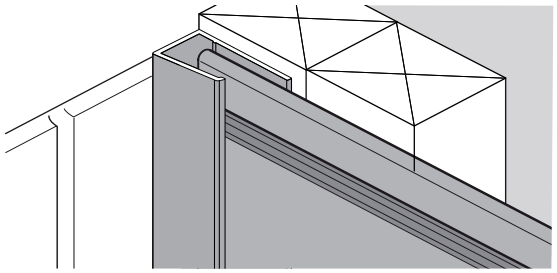


Internal Corner Trim



1 Part Edge Trim

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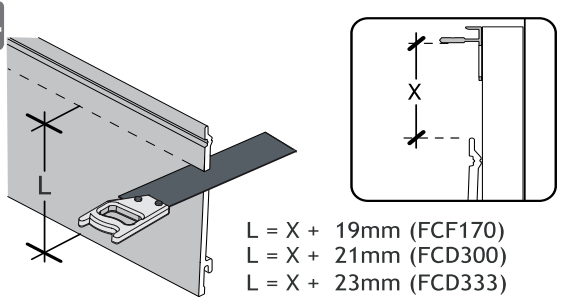

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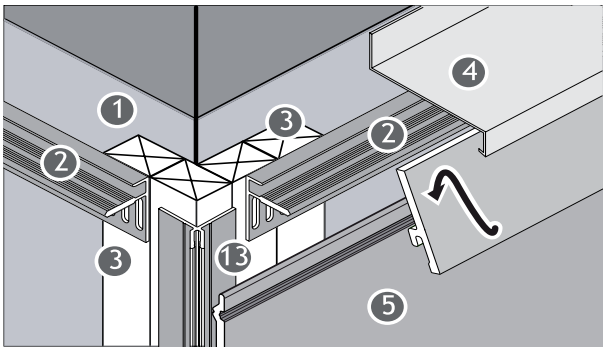
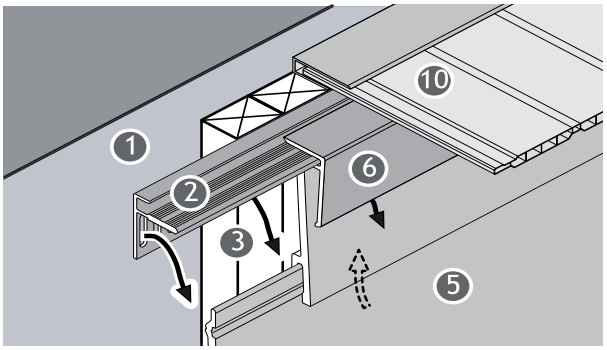
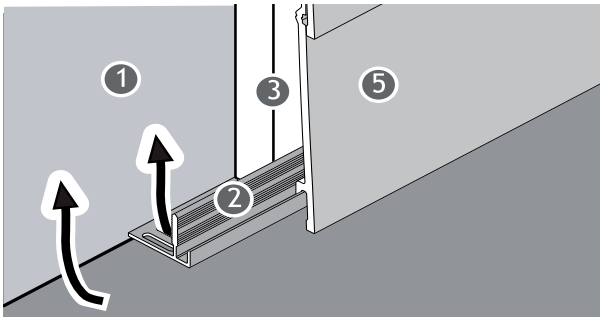
L = X + 21mm (FCD300)
L = X + 23mm (FCD333)

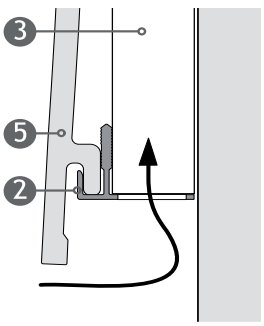


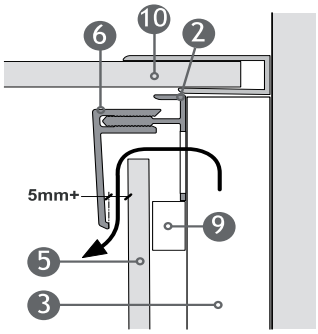
Fix vented starter/closer trim. Refer to Diagrams 7 & 8. Cut your cladding plank using the formula given.

Ventilation detail





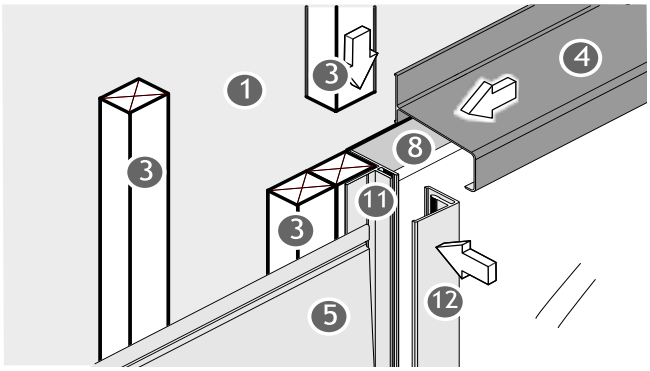




1 Breather Membrane*
2 FC3123 Ventilated Starter/Closer
3 Pre-treated softwood battens
4 FCA3063 Aluminium Drip Trim
5 Cladding
6 FC311E3 Ventilated Closer
7 Cill*
8 GPB (General Purpose Board)/Soffit
9 Timber Packing
10 GPB (General Purpose Board)/Soffit
11 FC319 Reveal Liner - Part 1
12 FC319 Reveal Liner - Part 2
13 FC304 Ext Corner Trim - Part 1
14 FC302 Universal Edge Trim
15 FC318 Reveal Liner Edge Trim

* not manufactured by Freefoam Building Products

15a Window jamb with FC319 Reveal Liner 1/3



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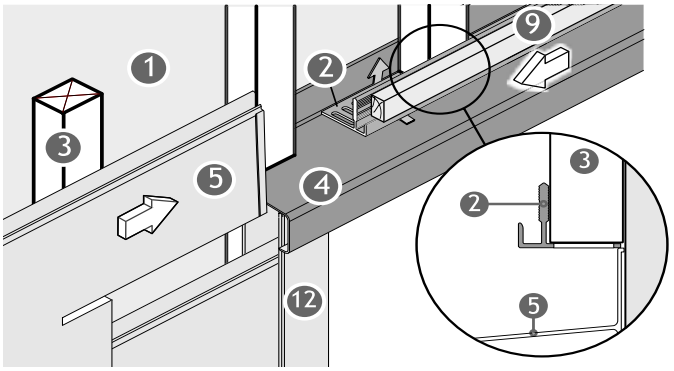

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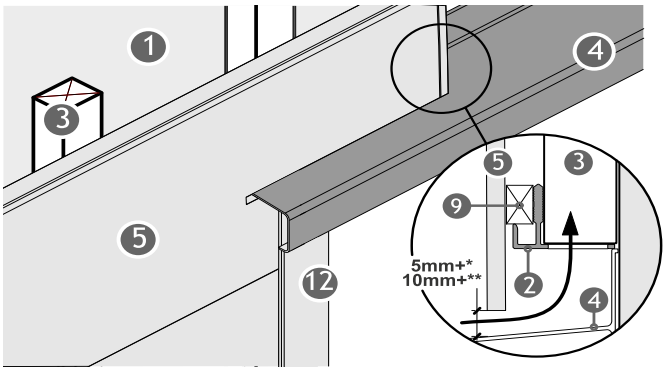
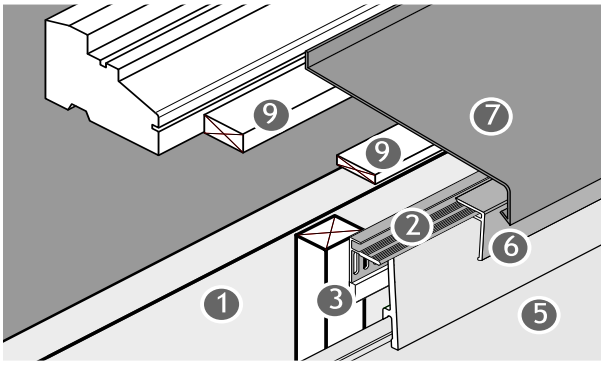


16 Window Cill detail



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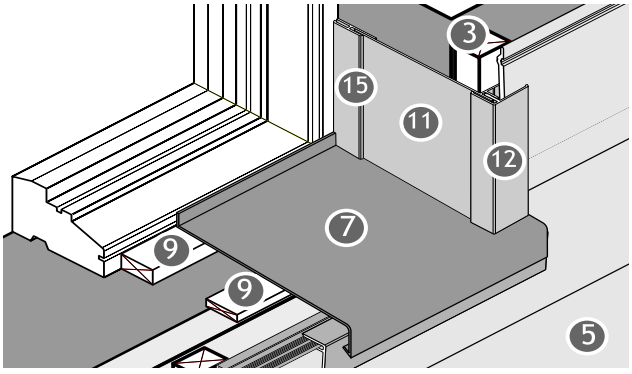

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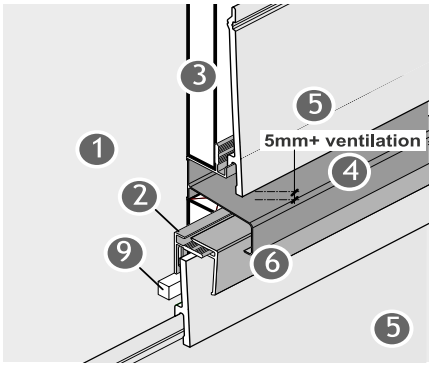

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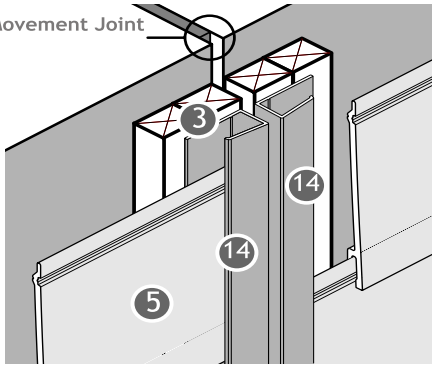


Fitting Information

VERTICAL CLADDING

All Freefoam cladding profiles can be fitted vertically. **See freefoam.com/downloads** for instructions.

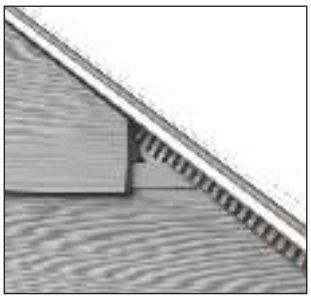
DORMER WINDOWS

Cladding is ideal for a dormer elevation. For full fitting instructions **See freefoam.com/downloads**

GABLE END

Install ventilated trim and cover trim to gable angle.

Use Ventilated Trim (FC311E3) for edge of gable.



OPEN CONSTRUCTION

When fixing to open batten construction such as sheds or timber frame structures a rigid sheet material such as OSB is required to separate the ventilation space between the cladding battens from the airspace inside the structure.

INSTALLATION NOTES

Fixing

Only use corrosion resistant screws for fixing cladding planks and accessories. Cladding should only be installed at temperatures within the range of 5º - 25ºC.

Expansion

The recommended minimum expansion gaps at the ends and between cladding planks (See Diagram 11,12,13 & 14) should be strictly adhered to. A minimum of 27mm

Breaks

Where a cladding panel exceeds 6m in height, a horizontal break should be provided by use of a drip trim to facilitate ventilation openings. See figure 17a. For installations greater than 10m long a vertical break will be required. Vertical breaks mitigate any cumulative expansion. Horizontal breaks aid cooling of cavity and in some cases are required as cavity breaks for preventing spread of flame between storeys, such as in cases where there are different occupancies.

In accordance with Part B of the Building Regulations – Fire Safety; Fortex is permitted for use 1m or more from a relevant boundary on buildings* that are 18m in height or less. *For assembly and recreation buildings, refer to Part B of the Building Regulations for more detailed guidance.

Finishing

Where required fit a cover strip or drip trim to prevent rain from entering the cavity at the top of the installation.

The guidance for provision of expansion and ventilation provided in this document applies in all cases including windows, doors, gables ends, dormers etc.

Ensure that all installations comply with local Building Regulations and general good building practice. Consult you local Planning Department for guidance.

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- Fitting trims
- Battens
- Membrane Fixings

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Maintenance Storage and Fire Rating

Regular Inspection

Under normal conditions Freefoam cladding requires minimal maintenance. Environmental impacts may effect the visual appearance of the façade. An annual inspection of the ventialtion gaps, joints and fixings is recommended. Detection and repair of possible damage ensures longer life for our cladding.

Cleaning

Clean Freefoam cladding with cold or lukewarm water. If necessary add mild household cleaning detergent that does not contain solvents. We would highly recommend rinsing your cladding down with warm soapy water or a pressure washer (adjust to 80bar maximum with the nozzle 50cm minimum distance from cladding surface) every now and then to keep it clean and free from dirt or stains. Use caution around ventilation openings to prevent excessive water ingress. Do not use solvents or aggressive cleaning products. Start at the top.

Impact from Nature

Coastal locations are subject to more extreme conditions due to salt laden moist air and wind-blown sand. We recommend more regular inspections in such locations. Pay particular attention to corners of cladding, around windows and doors particularly those facing the prevailing wind.

STORAGE

- Prior to installation cladding should be stored out of direct sunlight.
- Check the cladding surface for damage prior to installation.
- Complaints of surface defects will not be accepted after installation is complete.

FIRE RATING FORTEX CLADDING

The following colours remain rated as D-s3,d2 AVM – AHM

White, Pale Gold, Sand, Misty Grey, Cement Grey, Pale Blue, Smoked Clay

(Please note: not all colours are available in the UK)

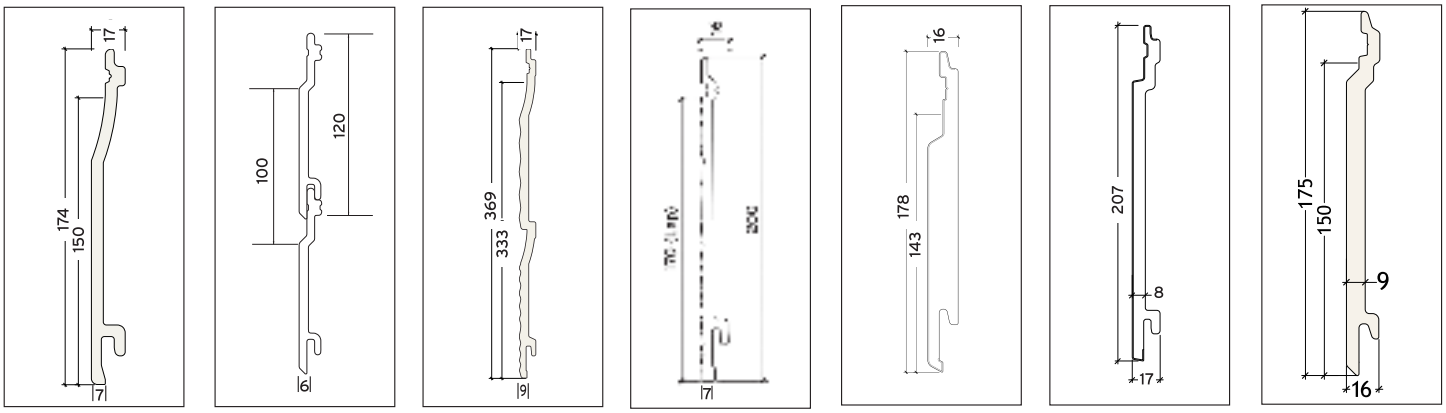
The following colours are rated E.

French Grey, Storm Grey, Argyl Brown, Colonial Blue, Enviro Green, Slate Grey, Cappuccino, Quartz Grey, Sage Green, Anthracite Grey & Stone.

This is due to the ASA (acrylic) skin that improves colour fastness giving superior colour performance.

This slight change in the reaction to fire rating makes no difference to the previous D rating in terms of where the cladding can or can't be used, according to the Building Regulations.

Dimensions (mm)



FC151 FV100 FCD333E FCF170E FCV143 FCG182PE FCV150N1

Technical Data

Freefoam cladding products are produced from cellular PVC. A co-extrusion process enables them to be covered with a layer of PVC resistant to UV rays and discolouration. An additional embossing process gives the Fortex and X-Wood products their textured effect.

	Length	Thickness	Pack Quantity	Material	Coverage Per Board Length	Density	Expansion Coefficient	Weight per board	Fire Rating
Shiplap FC151	5m	7mm	5	Cellular PVC & UV Resistant co-extruded skin	0.75m^2	510kg/m^3	5 x 10 / °C	2.75kg	D-s3,d2/AVM
Shiplap FC151 + Woodgrain Foil	5m	7mm	5	Cellular PVC & UV Resistant High Performance Film	0.75m^2	510kg/m^3	5 x 10 / °C	2.75kg	E
Open V FV100	5m	6mm	5	Cellular PVC & UV Resistant co-extruded skin	0.5m^2	510kg/m^3	5 x 10 / °C	1.95kg	D-s3,d2/AVM
Open V FV100 + Woodgrain Foil	5m	6mm	4	Cellular PVC & UV Resistant High Performance Film	0.5m^2	510kg/m^3	5 x 10 / °C	1.95kg	E
Double Shiplap 333mm FCD333E	5m	9mm	2	Cellular PVC & UV Resistant co-extruded skin	1.65m^2	510kg/m^3	5 x 10 / °C	7.85kg	D-s3,d2/AVM or E*
Weatherboard FCF170E	5m	7mm	4	Cellular PVC & UV Resistant co-extruded skin	0.85m^2	510kg/m^3	5 x 10 / °C	3.15kg	D-s3,d2/AVM or E*
X-Wood FCV143 + Woodgrain Foil	5m	16mm	2	Cellular PVC & UV Resistant High Performance Film	0.71m^2	500kg/m^3	40 x 10-6/°C (DIN53377)	6.25kg	D-s3,d2
Shadow Gap FCG182PE 182mm	5m	8mm	4	Cellular PVC & UV Resistant co-extruded skin	0.91m^2	510kg/m^3	5 x 10 / °C	2.43kg	D-s3,d2/AVM or E*
Naturale FCV150N1	5m	9mm	4	PVC-UE Core/Skin, ink, varnish	0.75m^2	460kg/m^3	5 x 10/°C	3.5kg	D-s3,d2 AVM/AHM

Accreditation

Freefoam Fortex Cladding is accredited by the CSTB.

*See page 21 for more information