



## Split-Fit® Columns Round & Square Reassembly Instructions

- Use Polyurethane Structural Adhesive available from your distributor or local hardware store. Alternately you may use a 15-20 minute epoxy for reassembling column/post halves.
   CAUTION: Split-Fit® COLUMNS/POSTS ARE NOT LOAD BEARING.
- 2. DO NOT CUT THE WRAPPING AROUND THE **Split-Fit®** COLUMN/POST UNTIL YOU HAVE COMPLETED STEP #3.
- 3. Measure the opening from floor to ceiling. Cut column/post ¼" shorter to ensure there is no weight resting on the finished installation of the column/post. TIP: CUT ONLY FROM THE BOTTOM OF THE Split-Fit® COLUMN/POST TO DESIRED LENGTH USING AN ABRASIVE SAW BLADE.
- 4. If using 15-20 minute epoxy, dry fit column/post in the location to be installed to ensure adequate space is available.
- 5. Lay a bead of polyurethane structural adhesive to all edges to be joined. If using 15-20 epoxy, mix epoxy/adhesive to manufacturer's instructions and apply to all edges to be joined. TIP: DO NOT APPLY EPOXY OR ADHESIVE TO ALIGNMENT KEYS ON EITHER HALF.
- 6. Use tape to pull halves of column/post together and wrap 4 times at several locations. The epoxy or adhesive will be squeezed out but do not remove until it is cured. TIP: DO NOT USE CLAMPS.
- 7. Do not remove any excess epoxy or adhesive until is has gelled. Once material has gelled, remove excess with a putty knife or chisel and sand until smooth and flush to column/post.
- 8. Bondo® can be used to smooth out the seam as necessary.
- 9. Use Steps 4 7 to assemble caps and bases, taking care to avoid epoxy or adhesive on the pins and in the receiver holes. TIP: INSTALL THE CAP & BASE AFTER THE Split-Fit® COLUMN/POST HAS BEEN INSTALLED AND SANDING COMPLETED.

## **TOOLS REQUIRED**

Safety Glasses Tape Measure
Dust Mask Putty Knife
Gloves C&P Split Kit

Sandpaper Saw with Abrasive Blade

## **CAUTIONS:**

- 1. DO NOT CAULK BASE TO SUBSTRATE. THIS MAY CAUSE MOISTURE TO BE COLLECTED AND FREEZE.
- 2. ALL HOLES MUST BE PRE-DRILLED.
- 3. DO NOT PUT CONCRETE OR ANY OTHER FILLER INSIDE THE COLUMN OR POST.
- 4. INSTALL FLASHING TO PREVENT WATER FROM ENTERING AT THE TOP OF THE Split-Fit® COLUMN OR POST. THIS ONLY APPLIES IF THE TOP OF THE CAPITAL PROJECTS OUT FROM THE SOFFIT AND IS EXPOSED TO WEATHER.

## **PAINTING TIPS:**

- 1. Do not paint using dark colors with L values of 56 to 0.
- 2. Sand column with 100 grit sandpaper or a sanding sponge to prepare surface for a high quality latex or oil primer. Finish with the proper finish coat.

Failure to follow Installation Instructions immediately voids Lifetime Limited Warranty.