

WARRANTY PROTECTION

- Mishandling, improper storage, and unauthorized cutting methods can void panel and paint warranties.
- Protecting your product protects your project timeline and reputation.

WHY PROPER HANDLING MATTERS

Metal panels and trims are durable in use, but easily damaged in handling. Scratches, dents, and bent edges not only affect appearance – they compromise performance and lead to warranty issues, costly rework, and delays.



QUESTIONS? NEED A REPLACEMENT?

Call us before installation if you notice any damage or have questions about handling.
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METAL PANEL AND TRIM HANDLING GUIDE

PROTECT YOUR MATERIALS
PROTECT YOUR REPUTATION

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WHAT TO AVOID

- Do not store near salt, fertilizer, or corrosive chemicals
- Do not walk or step on panels
- Do not use sharp tools that may scratch or damage coatings
- Do not use panels or trim as worktables or platforms

TRIM & PANEL HANDLING TIPS

- Trim is especially prone to bent legs, crushed hems, and scratches
- Never drop trim bundles
- Label each trim piece upon delivery
- Use gloves and multiple people when lifting
- Never drag panels or trim
- Stack panels with ribs aligned, paint side up



TRANSPORTATION TIPS

- Use ratchet straps with edge protectors to prevent crushing
- Stack on wood runners for easy forklift loading
- For customer pickup, use caution - damage in transit is not warrantied

RECEIVING MATERIALS

Inspect immediately upon delivery for:

- Dents, bent corners, or creased panels
- Scratches or missing protective film
- Correct panel length, color, and gauge
- Report any visible damage or discrepancies before unloading.

STORAGE

- Store panels on a slope to prevent water pooling
- Use dunnage or blocks to raise material off ground
- Store long trim on flat continuous support to prevent buckling
- Panels expand/contract with temperature - allow for movement

JOB SITE SAFETY

- Always wear gloves, sleeves and eye protection
- Secure material from wind and fall risk
- Watch for sharp edges on panel ends and edges



FASTENER & CUTTING GUIDELINES

- Don't overdrive fasteners - it can dent and deform panels and trim
- Make sure fasteners hit framing - not just sheathing
- Use approved screws with washers
- Use snips, shears, or nibblers (never abrasive wheels or saws)