SLIDING PATIO DOOR
INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS USING FRAME SCREWS

Installation Instructions for Typical Wood Frame Construction.
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Handling and Storage: Provide full support under the framework while storing, moving and installing the product. DO NOT lift the product by the head member only. Remove the plastic shipping material prior to storing or installing the product. DO NOT store in direct sunlight. Allow sufficient spacing between products for ventilation.

Note: This instruction is not for use in applications that have vinyl, steel or aluminum siding where water may be behind the siding above the door. In these applications, the siding may need to be removed and the door installed using the new construction installation instruction that is attached to the door.

YOU WILL NEED TO SUPPLY:
• Cedar or Impervious shims/spacers (12 to 20)
• Closed cell foam backer rod/sealant backer (12 to 30 ft.)
• Pella® SmartFlash™ foil backed butyl window and door flashing tape or equivalent
• Pella Window and Door Installation Sealant or equivalent high quality, multi-purpose sealant (2 to 3 tubes per door)
• Low expansion, low pressure polyurethane insulating window and door foam sealant - DO NOT use high pressure or latex foams.
• Wood blocking for sill
• Optional corrosion resistant screws and anchors for installation on concrete floor (7 to 10)
• #10 x 2" Pan head square drive corrosion resistant wood screws (30)
• Screw covers (optional)
• #6 x 1/2" Phillips round head wood screw (2)
• #10 Bonded sealing washers (7 to 10)

TOOLS REQUIRED:
• Tape measure
• 2’ or 4’ Level
• Square
• Hammer
• Stapler
• Sealant gun
• Scissors or utility knife
• Screwdrivers (#2 Phillips with 8” shaft and small flat blade)
• Drill
• 5/32” drill bit
• 3/8” drill bit with drill guide
• 3” long #2 square drive screwdriver bit

Installation will require two or more persons for safety reasons.

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1 ROUGH OPENING PREPARATION

A. Confirm the opening is plumb and level. Ensure the bottom of the rough opening does not slope toward the interior.

*Note: It is critical the bottom is level and the door frame is fully supported from the interior to the exterior.*

B. Confirm the door will fit the opening. Measure all four sides of the opening to make sure it is 1/2" larger than the door in width and 3/8" larger in height. Measure the width at the top, bottom, and center. Measure the height at the far left side, the far right side, and in the center.

*Note: Fix any problems with the rough opening before proceeding.*

C. Apply sill flashing tape #1. Cut a piece of flashing tape 12" longer than the opening width. Apply at the bottom of the opening as shown. If the sheathing or water resistive barrier is exposed, apply the flashing tape (1C) so it overhangs 1" onto the exterior sheathing or water resistive barrier.

*Note: The tape is cut 12" longer than the width so that it will extend 6" up each side of the opening.*

D. Tab the sill flashing tape and fold. Cut 1" wide tabs at each corner (1/2" from each side of corner) (1D). Fold tape to the exterior and press firmly to adhere it to the weather resistive barrier.

E. Apply sill flashing tape #2. Cut a piece of flashing tape 12" longer than the opening width. Apply at the bottom, overlapping tape #1 by at least 1". DO NOT allow the tape to extend past the interior face of the framing.
PREPARE THE DOOR FOR INSTALLATION
TWO OR MORE PEOPLE WILL BE REQUIRED TO HANDLE THE PANEL SAFELY.

A. **Remove the packaging from the door.** Inspect the frame, fixed and vent panels for damage. DO NOT install damaged units.

**Note:** If screens or hardware are removed from the door at this time, label them and store them in a protected area.

B. **Remove the vent panel.** Slide the panel to the open position, making sure it clears the anti-lift clip. Lift the panel out of the lower track and tilt the bottom of the panel away from the door frame. Then, lower the panel out of the top track. Carefully set the panel aside in a safe place.

**REVERSING DOOR SLIDE:** If changing the slide of the door panel, refer to Instructions (Reversing Door Slide) section of this instruction.

**Note:** Doors with Blinds-Between-the-Glass are not reversible.

C. **Remove the fins.** Lay the door down with the interior facing up. With a utility knife, carefully score the entire length of the fin three times where it meets the frame. Bend the fin back and forth a few times, then peel the fin off.

**Note:** Keep the body of the knife against the frame to prevent gouging the sill.

D. **Relocate the vent panel bumper.** Remove the bumper located at the top of the fixed jamb, and install in the fixed jamb against the sill track.

E. **Remove the sill track** by beginning at one end and carefully pulling it up. This will expose the slide panel pocket.

**Note:** A hooked tool like an Allen wrench will easily get the track started.

F. Drill 5/32" holes through the head and sill 4" from each corner and 1-1/2" from the interior of the door. Drill additional installation holes per locations shown in the illustration. Follow up by counter drilling the holes with a 3/8" drill making sure to only penetrate the interior wall of the door frame.

**Note:** You will need a drill guide set at 1/4" from the end of the drill bit. Without a drill guide, it is extremely difficult to prevent drilling through both walls of vinyl with the 3/8" bit. Penetrating the lower wall with this drill will make it very difficult to seal against water penetration and difficult to secure.
G. **Drill 5/32” holes through both jambs.**

On 4-1/2” frame depth units with Flat Interior Edges, begin 4” from each end and 1-1/2” from the interior surface of the door frame.

On 4-1/2 frame depth units with Beveled Interior Edges, begin 4” from each end and 1-3/4” from the interior surface of the door frame. Continue drilling additional holes at not more than 18” on center. Follow up by counter drilling the holes with a 3/8” drill bit making sure to penetrate only the interior wall of the door frame members.

**Note:** Use a drill guide located 1/2” from the end of the drill bit to ensure the 3/8” bit does not penetrate the exterior wall of the frame.
A. **Dry fit the door.** Position the door so that the exterior face of the frame is flush with the face of the exterior siding or extends a minimum of 1” onto the exterior brick in masonry applications to allow for the application of backer rod and sealant (see illustrations in Step 5 for sealant details). Make sure the door is plumb, square and level. Mark the interior of the door frame at the sill to show a boundary for sealant placement. Mark anchor hole locations (concrete floor applications only). Carefully remove and set the door aside. Drill and install anchors (concrete floor applications only).

*Note: Make sure the door will have complete support under the entire sill.*

B. **Apply 2 continuous 1/4” to 3/8” diameter beads of sealant across the sill** of the opening and 12” up the jambs, towards the interior side of the door and within 3/8” of the exterior of the bottom of the rough opening.

*Note: Failure to properly seal the sill plate may allow water to penetrate the interior of the home.*

C. **Insert the door from the exterior of the building.** Place the bottom of the door at the bottom of the opening, then tilt the top into position. Center the door between the sides of the opening to allow equal clearance for shimming, and insert one #10 x 2” screw in the top hole in the jamb on the fixed panel side. This is used to hold the door in place while shimming it plumb and square.

*Note: DO NOT slide the bottom of the door into the opening, as sliding will damage the sealant lines.*

D. **Plumb and square door.** Insert shims between the door and rough opening at every installation hole location in the door jambs and head. Keep shims back 1/2” from interior face of door. Also shim between the top of the door and the rough opening above the fixed interlocker only.

*Note: DO NOT over shim.*

E. **Fasten the door to opening.** Place a dab of sealant in each of the pre-drilled holes in the sill prior to installing the sill screws. Insert sill anchor screws (concrete floor applications only). Drive #10 x 2” screws into every pre-drilled hole in the frame. Place a #10 rubber bonded washer on each sill fastener. Drive the screws until the head contacts the frame, however DO NOT sink the head. Insert a screw cover (optional) into each pre-drilled hole.

*Note: Failure to properly seal the sill attachment screws may allow water to penetrate the interior of the home.*

F. **Attach wood blocking to the exterior of the opening** to support the edge of the door sill.

G. **Install the sill track.** Snap the sill track in, place an 8” long 2 x 4 block on edge and begin tapping it from one end with a rubber mallet until the track snaps into its original position.

*Note: The sill track profile must be sloped to the exterior.*

H. **Check the anti-lift clip location** in the head track. One clip should be positioned 5” from the lock jamb.
4 REINSTALL THE VENT PANEL

TWO OR MORE PEOPLE WILL BE REQUIRED TO HANDLE THE PANEL SAFELY.

A. Insert door panel. From the interior of the building, tilt the top of the panel toward the door frame and insert the top of the door panel into the top track. Move the bottom of the panel toward the door frame until it is vertical. Gently set the panel down into the bottom track.

Note: Make sure the top of the panel clears the anti-lift clip before attempting to place the panel on the bottom track.

B. Adjust the rollers so the vent panel runs freely and is parallel to the fixed interlocker. Rotate the roller adjustment screws clockwise to raise the panel or counter-clockwise to lower the panel. They are located at the bottom of the vent panel at both ends. Once plumb, adjust the vent panel to the proper height to attain even coverage of the weatherstrip at both the top and bottom as viewed from the exterior.

C. Identify the keeper in the hardware package and perform the keeper attachment steps based on which keeper is in the package.

Determine the keeper location by opening the panel a few inches, and extending the lock hook. With a pencil, mark the location on the jamb directly across from the top of the shank.

C. Identify the keeper in the hardware package and perform the keeper attachment steps based on which keeper is in the package.

D. Place the keeper with 4 screw holes on the jamb so the top of the slot is aligned with the pencil mark. Attach by inserting a #6 x 1/2" starter screw into one of the slotted keeper holes.

E. Place the keeper with 2 screw holes on the jamb by “snapping” it into the frame jamb at the desired location. The keeper may be moved up or down to align with the pencil mark. The keeper will stay in position until attached with screws.

F. Insert a shim between the frame jamb and the rough opening at the keeper location.

G. Adjust the lock hook by turning the door lock adjustment screw clockwise to loosen or counter-clockwise to tighten until the mortise lock is aligned properly, the door locks easily, and there is less than 1/16" movement when the door is locked.

H. Install the keeper by inserting 3" long screws provided through the keeper holes, the shim and into the rough opening frame members. Remove the starter screw from the 4 screw hole keeper and replace it with a 3" long screw.
4 REINSTALL THE VENT PANEL (CONTINUED)

I. **Install the screen** by inserting the top of the screen into the screen pocket located at the exterior head of the patio door. Compress the top rollers just enough to allow the bottom of the screen to be inserted onto the bottom screen track. Adjust the screen rollers by turning the adjustment screw located at the top and bottom until the screen operates smoothly and is plumb and centered from top to bottom. Install the screen keeper if desired.

5 SEALING THE DOOR TO THE EXTERIOR WALL CLADDING

*Note: When applying siding, brick veneer or other exterior finish materials, leave adequate space between the door frame and the material for sealant. Refer to the illustration corresponding to your finish material. Not allowing adequate space or not using backer rod may cause the sealant to break down prematurely and allow water to infiltrate.*

A. **Insert closed cell foam backer rod into the space around the door.** Provide at least a 1/2" clearance between the backer rod and the exterior face of the door.

*Note: Backer rod adds shape and depth for the sealant line.*

B. **Apply a bead of high quality exterior grade sealant to the entire perimeter of the door.** On doors where the bottom fin has been removed, insert sealant into the spaces between the bottom of the door and the sill support and connect it to the perimeter sealant.

*Note: Refer to the sealant manufacturer’s label to verify compatibility with vinyl and the adjoining building components and priming requirements.*

C. **Seal the exterior drainage weeps at the head only with high quality exterior grade sealant.** DO NOT seal the drainage weeps at the sill.

D. **Shape, tool and clean excess sealant.** When finished, the sealant should be the shape of an hourglass.

*Note: This method creates a more flexible sealant line capable of expanding and contracting.*
**INTERIOR SEAL**

*Caution: Ensure use of low pressure polyurethane window and door insulating foams and strictly follow the foam manufacturer's recommendations for application. Use of high pressure foams or improper application of the foam may cause the door frame to bow and hinder operation.*

A. **Apply insulating foam sealant.** From the interior, insert the nozzle of the applicator approximately 1" deep into the space between the door and the rough opening and apply a 1" deep bead of foam. This will allow room for expansion of the foam and will minimize squeeze out. Apply sealant across interior surface of shims to create a continuous seal. For windows with jamb extensions installed, ensure the foam is placed between the door frame and the rough opening, not between the jamb extension and the rough opening. Follow foam manufacturer's instructions.

*Note: It may be necessary to squeeze the end of the tube with pliers to be able to insert into the space between the door frame and the rough opening. DO NOT completely fill the space from the back of the backer rod to the interior face of the door.*

B. **On the interior, seal the door sill to the floor** with a corner bead of sealant. Connect this bead of sealant to the insulating foam at both door jambs.

C. **Check door operation** by opening and closing the door.

*Note: If the door does not operate correctly, check to make sure it is still plumb, level, square and that the sides are not bowed. If adjustments are required, remove the foam with a serrated knife. Adjust the shims, and reapply the insulating foam sealant.*

**INSTRUCTIONS (REVERSING DOOR SLIDE)**

*Note: Doors with Blinds-Between-the-Glass are not reversible.*

A. **Remove the vent panel track and screen tracks** from the sill of the door. (Use an allen wrench or small hook to begin removal.) Also remove the two anti-lift clips from the head track of the door.

B. **Rotate the main frame** so what was the sill is now the top and then snap the vent panel track and screen tracks into place at the bottom of the door. The vent panel track must be sloped to the exterior of the door frame.

C. **Install the anti-lift clips** into the head track. Position one clip 5" from the fixed interlock toward the lock jamb and one clip 5" from the lock jamb.

D. **Carefully lay the panel** on saw horses or a clean surface.

E. **Extend the lock hook** and clamp the lock hook with the vise grip.

*Note: Use of the vise grip on the lock hook will prevent the mortise lock from falling when the lock mounting screws are removed.*

F. **Remove the door handle** by removing the two attachment screws.
G. **Remove the mortise lock.** Remove the two screws that attach the lock assembly to the door panel. Work the lock down, then tilt it out and pull up.

H. **Rotate 180° and reinstall the lock.** Insert the mortise lock into the door panel with the lock adjusting screw positioned at the bottom, then tilt the top in and lift the lock into position. Insert the two mounting screws into the lock mounting holes.

I. **Rotate the handle 180° and Install the door handle** by inserting the two screws through the door panel and into the exterior handle.

   **Note:** Rotating the handle will result in "Pella" script being upside down. A new handle must be ordered for "Pella" to be in correct orientation.

   **Note:** The latch lever must engage the slot in the side of the mortise lock assembly.

J. **Remove the bottom rollers** from the vent panel by removing the upper screw. Reinstall the rollers in the opposite end of the door panel.

K. **High Performance applications only:** Remove the vinyl blocks from the opposite end of the rollers and re-install the blocks into the top panel location.

L. **High Performance Doors only:** Move the frame exterior vent plugs (white foam rods) from the head of the frame to the opposite side of the frame. A soap solution may be needed as a lubricant for re-installing the plugs.
CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS
Remove labels and clean the glass, using a soft, clean, grit-free cloth and mild soap or detergent. Be sure to remove all liquid by wiping dry or use a clean squeegee. The vinyl frame may be cleaned as described above. For stubborn dirt, a “non-abrasive” cleaner such as Bon-Ami® may be used. DO NOT use solvents such as mineral spirits, toluene, xylene, naphtha or muriatic acid as they can dull the finish, soften the vinyl and/or cause failure of the insulated unit seal. Keep door tracks clear of dirt and debris. Keep weep holes open and clear of obstructions.

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