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# **DRAINABLE HOUSEWRAP** installation instructions



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# **REVIEW PRIOR TO INSTALLATION OF HYDROGAP & FLASHINGS**

#### PREINSTALLATION CONSIDERATIONS

Unroll HydroGap<sup>®</sup> with printed side and spacers facing out and fasten to sheathing with nails, staples, or cap fasteners

Fasteners should provide a minimum of 1/2 in penetration into the nail base and be spaced approximately 12 to 18 inches apart along the horizontal and vertical laps. Fasten every 3 sq ft elsewhere

HydroGap<sup>®</sup> should be installed shingle lap fashion (ie. begin installation at the base of the wall assembly)

Extend the housewrap a minimum 2 inches over the sill plate

Overlap all horizontal seams by at least 4 inches, all vertical seams by at least 6 inches, and all inside and outside corners by 12 inches.

Be sure that the housewrap installation and flashing provide positive drainage to the exterior of the assembly.

Do not let housewrap be exposed to sunlight in excess of 120 days prior to the installation of cladding

Flash wall penetrations (such as outlets, exhaust vents, etc.) with proper shingling technique to maintain drainage

Flash windows and doors according to building code requirements. Surface should be clean and dry. All self-adhered flashing must be adhered using a hand applicator. HydroFlash® should be stored inside or in conditioned spaces prior to installing in cold temperatures.

Install windows and doors per manufacturer's installation instructions

Tape all holes and tears that may have been inadvertently introduced during the construction process

HydroGap® can be installed in any direction and still maintain its performance characteristics

Cap fasteners are required to qualify for system warranty coverage

## **VIRTUAL JOBSITE VISIT**

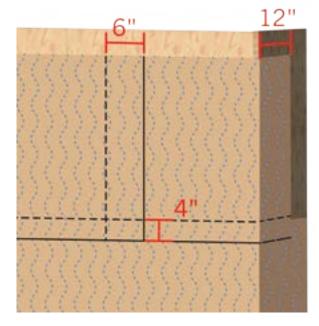
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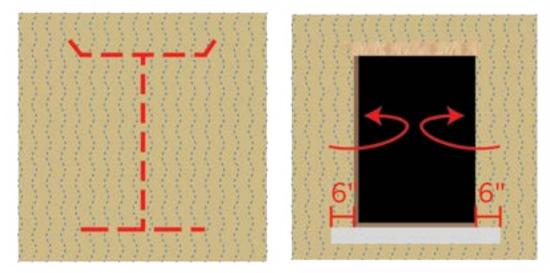
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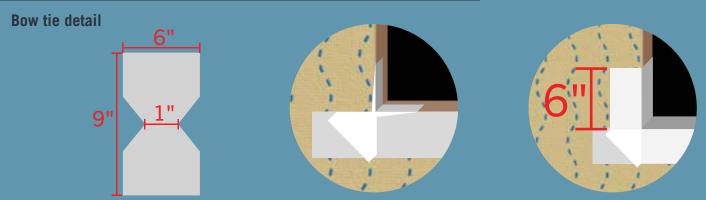
# DRAINABLE HOUSEWRAP WINDOW ASSEMBLY

#### "Fold-In" Window Installation

- Wrap the entire building including the windows and door openings.
- At each opening, cut an "I". Cut the housewrap at the head 45 degrees away from the window opening to account for flashing width.
- Fold up top trapezoid shaped "flap" and secure it temporarily with tape prior to installing the window.
- Fold side flaps into rough opening, cut and fasten.
- Install 6 inch HydroFlash flush with the window sill, and 6 inches past the rough opening on either side of the jamb. All flashing should be installed with firm pressure, using a roller or hand applicator.



# WINDOW SILL DETAILS



- (optional) Install sloped sill or back dam (optimal slope .25"), except when using approved pre-manufactured sill pan.
- To properly flash the sill, cut and install corner patch flashing or use HydroCorners.
- Install HydroFlash 9" to extend at least 6 inches up the side of each jamb inside window opening.
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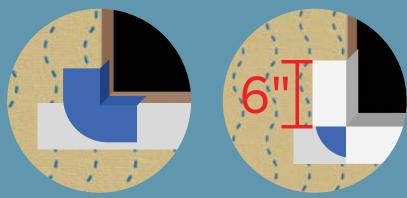
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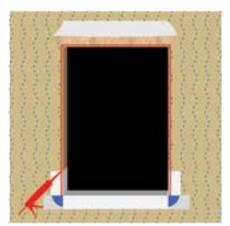
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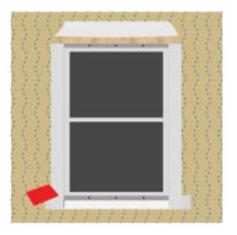
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HydroCorner Detail

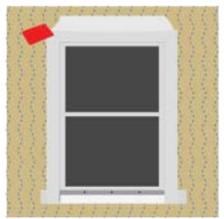


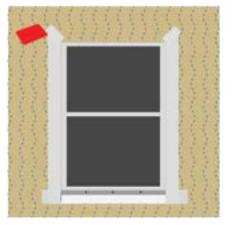
• To use HydorCorners instead of patches, set a HydroCorner in a bead of sealant at each corner sill and fasten with a staple. Install HydroFlash 9" to extend at least 6 inches up the inside of each jamb inside the window opening. HydroFlash has an acrylic adhesive that must be rolled in order to fully adhere to the substrate.





- Apply caulk/sealant at the jambs and head, avoiding the sill area.
- Install flanged window. And add HydroFlash over the jambs and nail fin. Surface should be clean and dry and you should always use a hand applicator or roller when applying HydroFlash products.





- Install a drip cap. Apply HydroFlash header flashing with a hand applicator. Surface should be clean and dry.
- Fold top flap down on top of flashed header and apply HydroFlash at diagonal cuts with a hand applicator.



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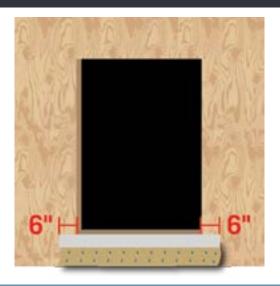
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#### "Windows-First" Window Installation

• Secure a HydroGap "apron" at sill using a piece of HydroFlash. Apron should extend beyond each side of rough opening at least the width of the jamb flashing; not less than 6 inches. Secure apron to the wall along the top edge, but leave the bottom of the apron loose. The loose edge will overlap the layer of HydroGap installed after window installation is complete.



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#### HydroCorner Detail





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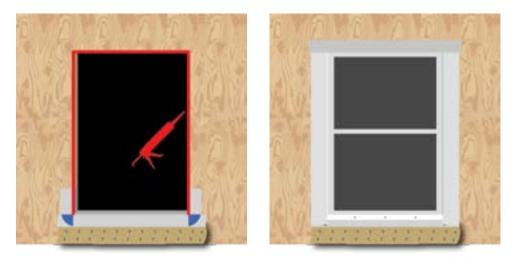
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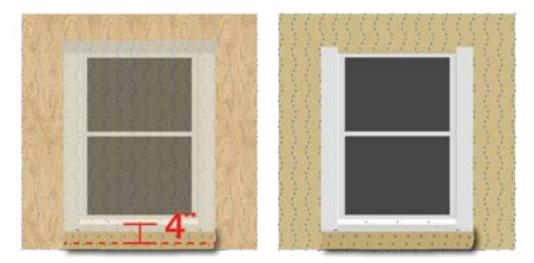
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#### "Windows-First" Window Installation



- Apply caulk/sealant at jambs and head. Do not caulk at the window sill.
- Install flanged window. Install HydroFlash to the side jambs with a hand applicator. Surface should be clean and dry.
- Install drip cap. Apply HydroFlash header flashing with a hand applicator. Surface should be clean and dry.



- After you've wrapped the building with HydroGap, at window locations, cut back HydroGap to expose window. Do not cut through HydroFlash or HydroGap apron.
- At 2 4 inches below window, cut horizontal slit in HydroGap, extending to edges of jamb flashing. Do not cut through HydroFlash or HydroGap apron. Pull apron through to lap over top layer of HydroGap, creating positive drainage.
- Tape seams with HydroFlash at window jambs. Do not tape the top or bottom of window nailing flange. All flashings must be installed using firm pressure, with either a hand applicator or roller.



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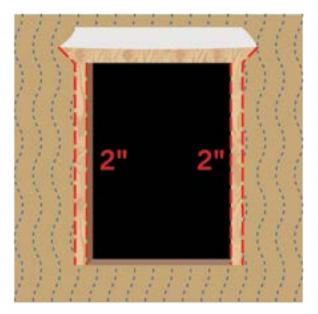
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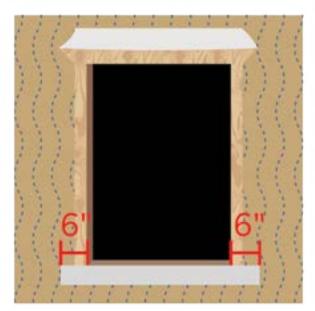
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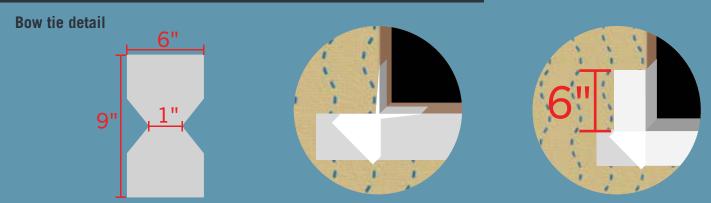
#### "Cut-Back" Window Installation

- Wrap the entire building including the windows and door openings.
- At each window opening, cut housewrap flush with window opening. Then, cut housewrap back 2" at each window jamb to reveal sheathing. Cut housewrap above the top corners 45° away from window opening to account for flashing width.
- Fold up top trapezoid shape "flat" and secure temporarily with tape prior to installing window.





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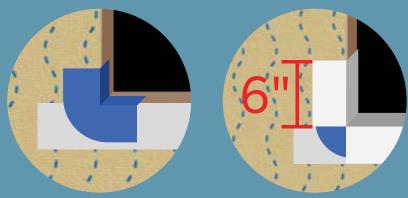
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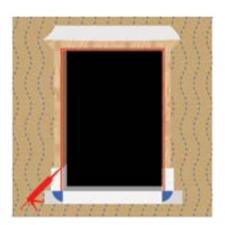
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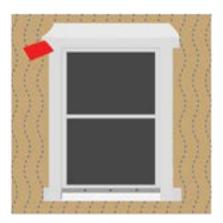


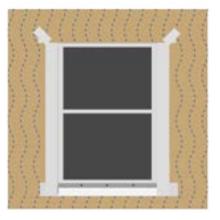
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