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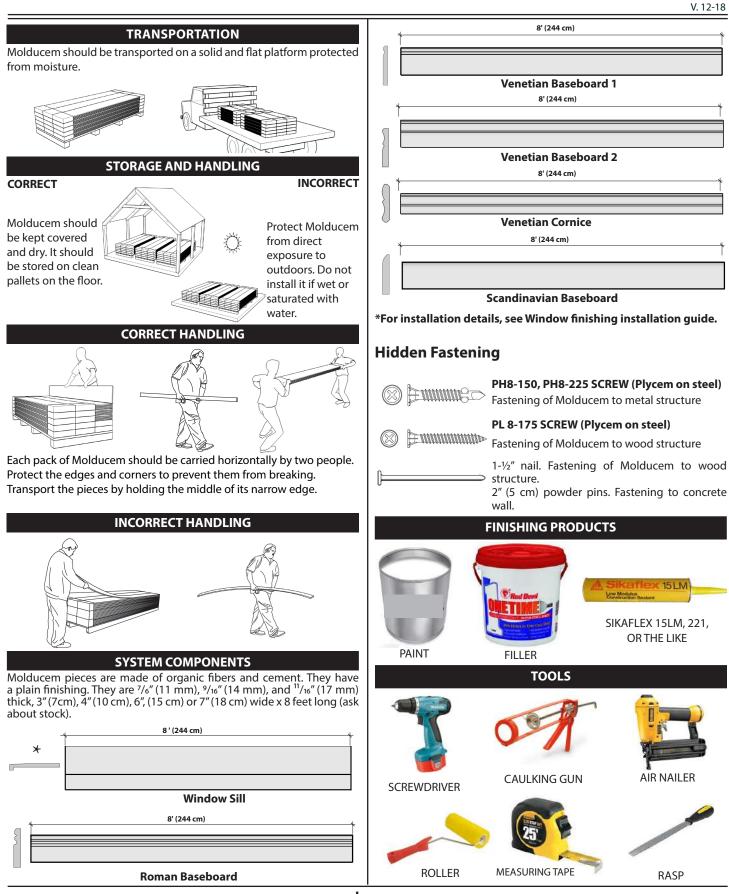
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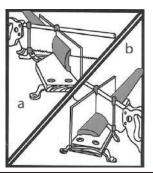
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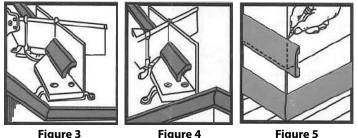
### **CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS**

There are two ways to cut the molding at an angle. In the first one, hold the molding edgewise against the side of the cutting template -cutting through the thickness (see a). In the second one, hold the molding lying on the template, and cut through the face of the molding (see b). Always take accurate measures and make fine marks on each piece to be cut. Cut outside the trace. Accurate cuts will make better finishing.



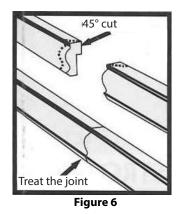
#### **INNER AND OUTER 45° CUTS**

Some types of molding -such as cornice and casings, may require special 45° cuts due to their profile. To avoid any mistakes, all molding should be placed on the cutting template on the same position it will have when installed. For an inner corner on the cornice molding, mark the wall length on the upper edge on the back of the molding; place the molding on the cutting template with the back facing you (see Figure 3), and make a 45° cut on the joint mark of both pieces. For an outer corner of cornice molding, place the molding on the cutting template according to Figure 4 and cut outside the trace of both opposite cuts. Likewise, for outer baseboard cuts, mark the back of the molding and cut at a 45° angle (See Figure 5).



#### **MOLDING FITTING**

Make 45° cuts for butt joint. To do this, place both pieces on the cutting template according to the position they will have on the wall, and cut both pieces with the same angle (a 45° angle is usually recommended, Figure 6). Applying Sikaflex 15 LM or Sikaflex 221 sealant is recommended for better performance of Molducem molding.



### **MOLDING INSTALLATION**

Finishing the molding at your choice is recommended once they have been cut and before installing them -with acrylic paint or dye. If you want to dye the molding, use dyes with self-cure acrylic resins with stable color for outdoor or indoor use -as required. Apply the dyes on dry and dust-free products with a cloth or brush (depending on the desired finishing) and making sure to cover all edges. Let dry for two hours or until it is fully dry. If you want to paint the molding, apply acrylic paint with a brush and following the same instructions for dyes.

#### **GENERAL MOLDING INSTALLATION**

For lightweight Plycem or wood walls, the molding should be fastened every 2 feet (or according to the modulation of the structure) using bit tip Plycem PH10-175 screws of 1- 3/4" with selfcountersinking Phillips flat head, to fasten to metal structures Caliber 20 or PL8-175 screws for wood or metal caliber 24. Once the molding has been fastened, apply filler on the screw head, sand any excess of filler, and apply the finishing. For block, brick, or concrete walls, using steel 1-1/2" nails is recommended every 2 feet. To avoid damages with the hammer on the Molducem molding, use a nail set or punch, apply filler on the nail head, sand any excess of filler, and apply the finishing.

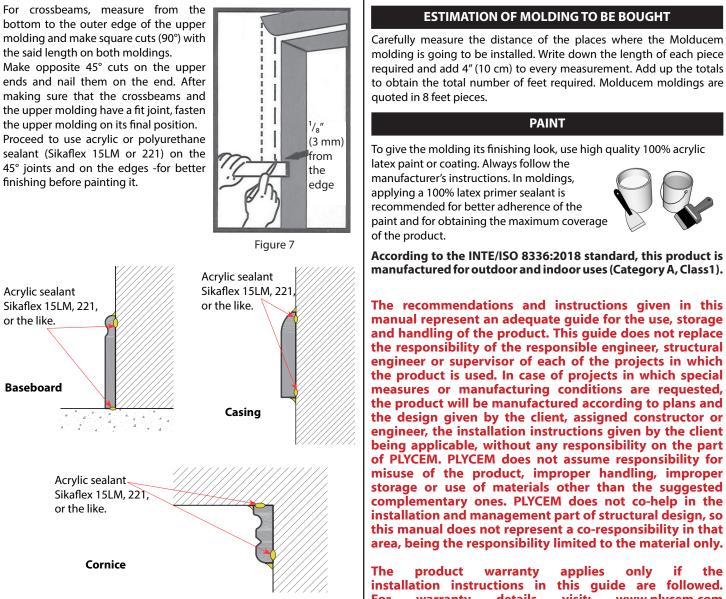
#### FRAMING OF DOORS AND WINDOWS

When making the framing on a door or window, first install the upper molding. Trace lines at <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" (3 mm) from the edge where the frame will be placed -on all sides (see Figure 7). These marks will show the position of the inner edges of all moldings. Remember cutting the thickness of both crossbeams when measuring the upper molding.

Place the molding lying on the cutting template, with the thickest part against the inner part of the template. Make opposite 45° cuts on the ends, and temporarily nail the molding on its final position.

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#### **REMOVAL OF EXISTING MOLDING**

Most moldings have been screwed or nailed onsite. In order to remove them, find a space between the wall and the molding to introduce the

screwdriver. The best place to start is the casing around the door from that point, you may reach the baseboard (see figure 1). Continue removing the old molding from one end to the other, until you fully remove it. To protect the wall or any adjacent molding, use a wedge behind the screwdriver when making any pressure.

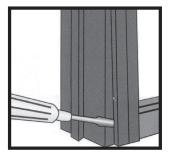


Figure 1

Carefully measure the distance of the places where the Molducem molding is going to be installed. Write down the length of each piece required and add 4" (10 cm) to every measurement. Add up the totals to obtain the total number of feet required. Molducem moldings are



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