

## INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

### STORAGE

- For best results, keep material covered and on skids until ready to be installed
- Never store material face side down directly on the ground, asphalt, or concrete

### BEFORE YOU START

- The core of the Woodlands Collection is cellular PVC material and will expand and contract in a linear direction as temperature changes, allow ¼" on each end for expansion and contraction
- For ceiling applications, ensure proper ventilation to avoid excessive heat buildup
- Product should NOT be installed in direct sunlight
- Never use adhesives alone to fasten to substrates or the underside of rafters
- Never span more than 12"
- Be sure the underside of the ceiling structure is level
- Use a saw capable of miter cuts with a fine-toothed carbide tipped finish trim blade is recommended: 7 ¼" 50 tooth minimum; 10" 70 tooth minimum; 12" 84 tooth minimum
- Remember to always wear safety glasses/goggles

### INSTALLATION

- Trim length ½" shorter than the depth of the porch ceiling to allow ¼" on each end for linear expansion and contraction
- Measure the width of the ceiling, calculate the total number of boards needed, trim off the tongue side of the first board and groove edge of last board for equal widths on each end
- Face-nail through the bead of the tongue side of the first board, ¼" from wall with 2" stainless steel finish nails to the plywood underlayment or ceiling battens, every 12" on center through the groove
- For runs longer than 18", cut a scarf joint into the end of the butt joint
- Finish installing the product over the ceiling. If required, trim the final board along the tongue side
- Finish with crown or other moulding around the perimeter of the ceiling ensuring the moulding covers the ¼" perimeter gaps

### CLEANING AND CARE

- To clean material, use a soft cloth and a mild dish soap or gentle cleaner such as Simple Green
- Never use acetone, solvent-based adhesives, or abrasive cleaning pad as these can cause damage to the product
- Construction adhesive is recommended to reduce expansion and contraction between trim and substrate