

# INSTALLING ROLLEX VERTICAL SIDING - PANELS

## 1. FIRST PANEL

- A. Measure the distance from inside of the top J-Channel to inside the bottom J-Channel. Deduct 1/2" for panel expansion and cut panel to length (review cutting instructions page 4).
- B. Place the panel between J-Channel with the butt edge facing the corner post and "lock it" into the starter strip.
- C. Adjust panel vertically so that 1/4" clearance is left within the J-Channels at both the top and bottom of the panel. Place the first nail in the top of the uppermost nailing slot to hold the panel in position (as with corner posts). Space all other nails 12" apart in the center of the nailing slots and keep panel plumb and true when nailing.

## 2. CONTINUING COURSE

- A. Measure, cut and install succeeding panels the same as above.
- B. Check for proper alignment as installation progresses.
- C. Be sure to maintain 1/4" clearance for panel expansion at both the top and bottom of the siding panels.

## 3. FITTING AROUND WINDOWS AND DOORS

- A. Measure the area of the panel to be removed around windows or doors
- B. Allow 1/4" within each J-Channel for panel expansion.
- C. If the panel is cut vertically within the V-groove of the panel, insert the panel into the J-Channel (Fig. 8.1). No furring is necessary to maintain an even surface plane.
- D. If the panel is cut vertically outside the V-groove, use dual undersill trim. A furring strip can also be used to maintain an even surface plane (Fig. 8.2). Be sure when fastening

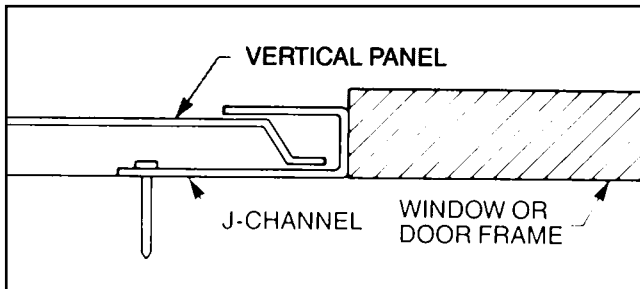


Fig 8.1

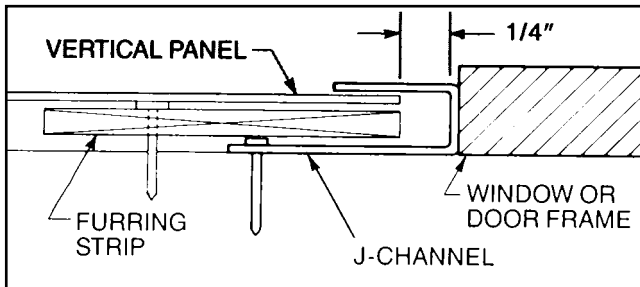


Fig 8.2

the furring strip that the nails are placed outside the accessories and do not penetrate them or restrict their movement.

- E. Lock the cut siding panel into previously installed panel and slide the cut section into J-Channel or dual undersill trim. Do not face nail siding panels into any furring strips if used.

## 4. FINISHING AT CORNERS

- A. If the final siding panel is cut within the V-groove, it may be inserted directly into the corner post channel. Also note that the nailing slots in the J-Channel may be offset from the corner post (as illustrated; Fig. 8.3), or the J-Channel may be fit flush into the corner post and the nailing slots aligned in both accessories (Fig. 8.4). At no time should nails used to fasten the J-Channel penetrate the surface of the corner post or restrict its movement in any way. An additional furring strip may be needed under the siding panel to improve rigidity and restrict the siding panel from flexing out of the J-Channel (Fig. 8.5).
- B. If the final siding panel is cut down outside to V-groove, use a furring strip to maintain the surface plane (Fig. 8.6).
- C. If the final siding panel is cut down outside the V-groove and is being fitted into a 1/2" J-Channel (Fig. 8.7), prepare the panel using snaplock punch (see Fig. 6.6, page 13). Punch the panel 1/4" from the cut edge every 6" to 8" so that the ear or lug is raised on the outer siding face. A furring strip may be necessary to maintain a level surface plane and also to provide a secure fit.

**REMEMBER:** Allow 1/4" clearance within the end J-Channel for siding panel expansion.

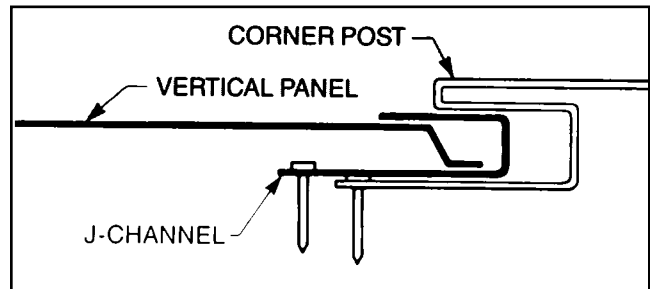


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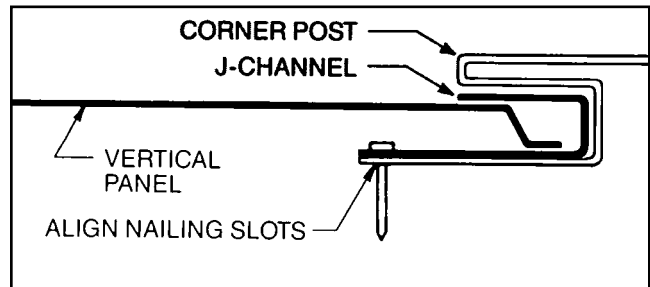


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## 5. FINISHING GABLE ENDS

- A. Begin by fastening J-Channels along the rake edge of the roof and across the bottom horizontal transition (Fig. 8.8).
- B. Draw a vertical line in the center of the gable, using a level. Install two J-Channels back to back centered on that line. Then install a starter strip inside each vertical J-Channel (Fig. 8.8).
- C. Make a pattern for the angle cuts as shown in figure 8.9. Then cut the first panel 1/2" less than the full height measurement from J to J-Channel.
- D. Insert the butt of the first panel into the vertical J-Channel past the starter strip lock. Then pull back on panel to engage panel butt into starter strip lock.
- E. Position the panel so you have a 1/4" play up and down. Then position nail by nailing in the top of the top nail slot. This will hold the panel from slipping down, then center nail the rest of the panel.
- F. Continue this process from the center of the gable to the ends by locking and nailing each panel.
- G. The final panel is installed as shown in Fig.8.1, 8.2 or 8.7.

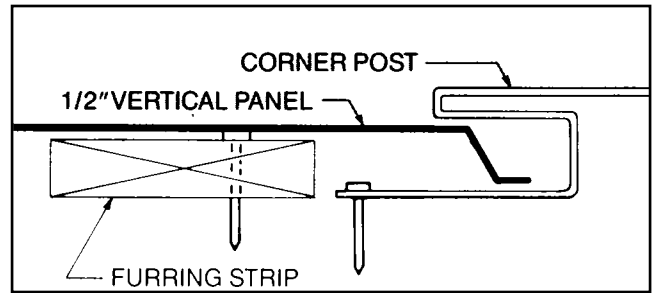


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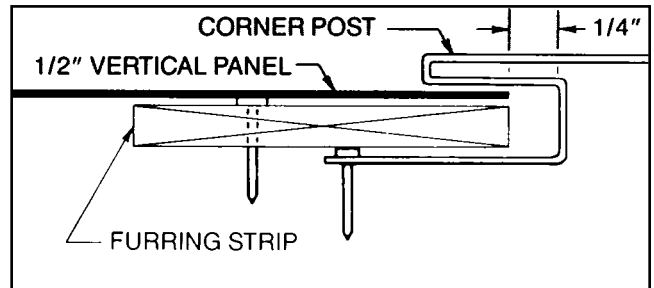


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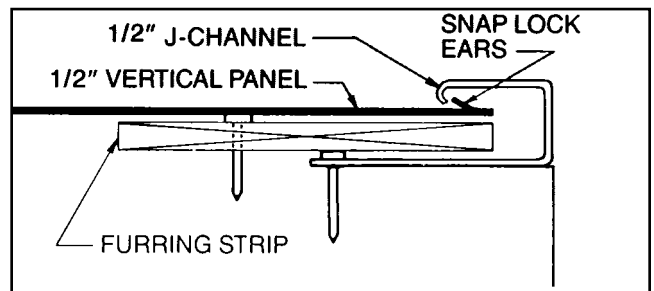


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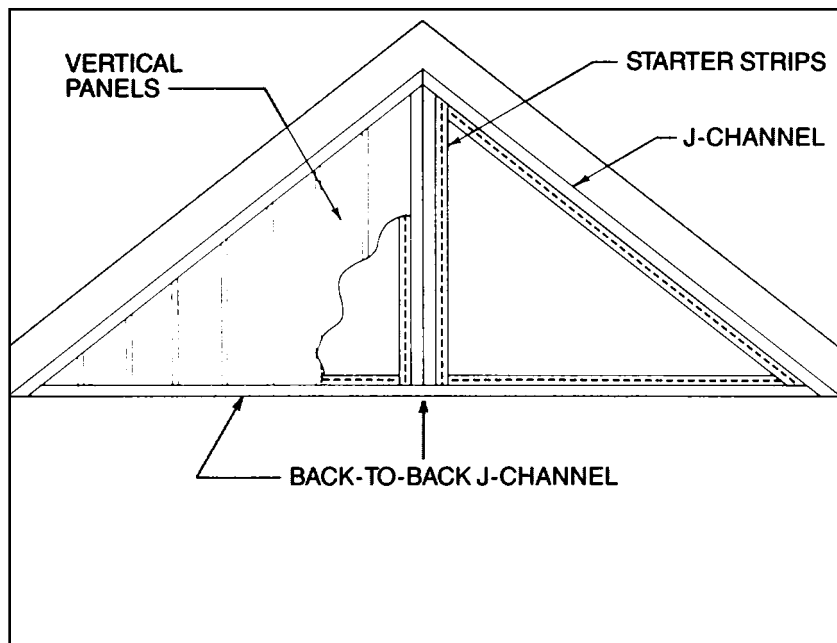


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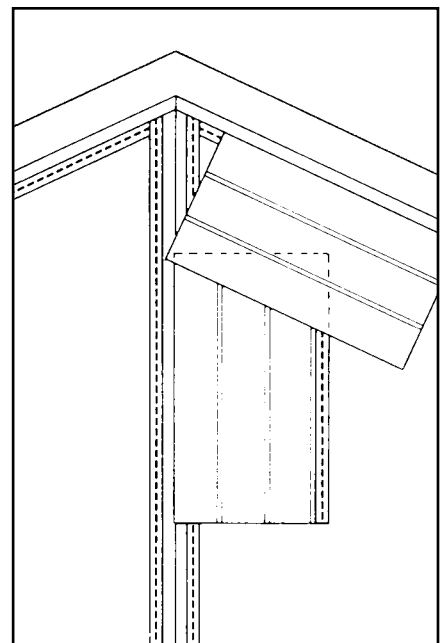


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