

This section will discuss shutters as the primary item, but molded door surrounds, house number plaques and various decorative millworks will follow the same principles.

General recommendations:

Position shutter in desired location on side of window or door. Drill a small pilot hole through the shutter and siding that is the appropriate size for the fastener being used. Remove the shutter and enlarge the hole in the siding 1/4" larger than the attachment screw (e.g. 1/8" fastener would require a 3/8" hole in siding). This will allow siding to expand and contract with temperature changes. Install shutter and tighten attachment screws.

Do not over-tighten and bind siding.

NOTE: In some cases, shutters will be installed on both ends of the same siding panel. An example of this is when two windows are in close proximity to one another on the same wall. Listed at right are two options for successfully handling this situation and avoiding panel distortion.

Option 1

Create a lap joint in between the window prior to shutter installation on the courses of siding that will receive the shutter attachment screws. Position the shutter and complete installation following general recommendations above.

Option 2

Stagger position shutter attachment screws on each shutter so they are attached through a different course of siding. Position the shutter and complete installation following general recommendations above (Bottom Fig. 1).

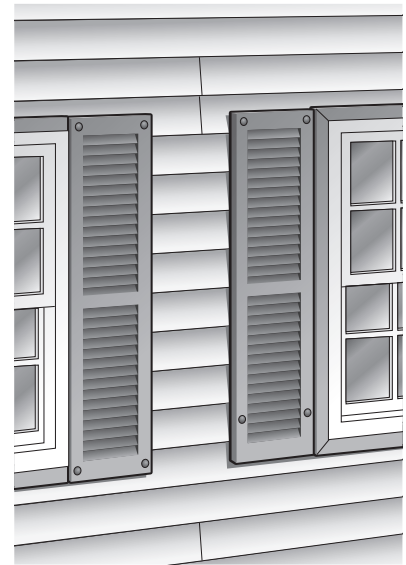


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