

Rainscreen cladding rough-in inspection checklist

Rainscreen cladding rough-in is the last time the work is fully visible. Once the cover inspection passes and the walls, ceilings and slabs close, every defect left behind becomes a demolition bill. This checklist walks the rough-in in the order the work goes in, with the photo each item needs before it gets buried. Work is commonly verified against the applicable building/energy code, manufacturer's published instructions. Confirm the edition your authority having jurisdiction has adopted.

Who runs it: The cladding crew setting the sub-framing, or the GC's superintendent walking the wall before the drainage cavity is closed by panels. When: After the WRB is on the sheathing and clips and furring are laid out, before the first panels go up and cover the cavity.

Water-resistive barrier tie-in

- ☐ WRB continuous and shingle-lapped into openings
- Barrier lapped over the sheathing in weatherboard fashion, tied into window and door flashing, no reverse laps or open seams behind the sub-framing.
- 2 photos required

Clips, girts and furring

- ☐ Clips and furring anchored true to plane and on layout
- Clips and girts fastened to structure on the specified spacing, furring shimmed to a true plane, thermal spacers where the detail calls for them.
- 2 photos required

Fastener penetrations

- ☐ WRB penetrations at fasteners sealed per the detail
- Fasteners through the barrier sealed or gasketed where the assembly requires it, no unsealed punctures left in the drainage plane.
- 1 photo required