



## WHEN INSTALLING AZEK GUTTERS PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

### Storage and Handling

Store Azek products on a flat and level surface

Since Azek products are more flexible than wood, they may conform to uneven surfaces.

Azek products have a density comparable to pine and should be handled in a fashion as pine would be handled to avoid damage

Units of Azek are shipped from the manufacturer in a protective covering. If covering has been removed, take care to keep product free of dirt and debris at jobsite. If product gets dirty, clean after installation.

### Cutting

Azek products can be cut using the same tools used to cut lumber.

Carbide tipped blades designed to cut wood work well. Avoid using fine tooth metal cutting blades.

Rough edges from cutting may be caused by excessive friction, poor board support, or worn or improper tooling.

### Drilling

Do not use nails to fasten – use screws only.

Pre drill holes in gutter for screws.

Holes must be elongated in shape to allow screw to move.

EXAMPLE:



- a. CENTER SCREW IN HOLE

Azek products can be drilled using the same tools used to drill lumber  
Drilling Azek products is similar to drilling a hardwood. Care should be taken to avoid frictional heat build-up.

Use standard woodworking drills. Do not use drills made for normal rigid PVC.  
Periodic removal of Azek shavings from the drill hole may be necessary.

### **Routing**

Azek products can be routed using standard router bits and the same tools used to rout lumber.  
Carbide tipped router bits are recommended  
Routing Azek products provides a crisp, clean edge.

### **Painting**

Azek products do not require paint for protection, but it is recommended to achieve a custom color.

Use a 100% acrylic latex paint with a Light Reflective Value (LRV) of 55 or higher.

Follow the paint manufacturer's recommendations to apply.

No special surface preparations are required prior to painting – just ensure the Azek surfaces are clean and dry.

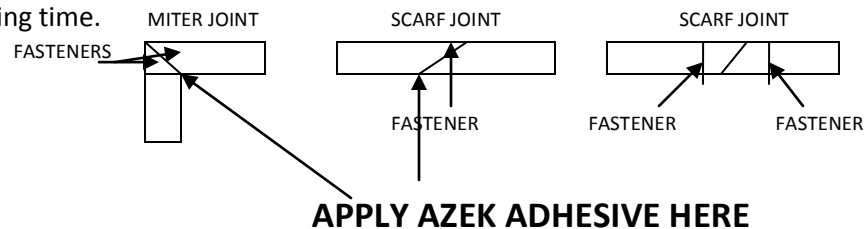
Moisture cycling is a main reason for paint failure on wood. Since Azek absorbs no moisture paints last longer on Azek than wood.

### **Gluing**

For best results, glue all Azek to Azek joints such as window surrounds, long fascia runs, etc., with Azek Adhesive to prevent joint separation.

45 degree all joints to allow for more glue surface

The glue joint should be secured with a fastener and /or fastened on each side of the joint to allow adequate bonding time.



Azek Adhesive has a working time of 10 minutes and will be fully cured in 24 hours.

If standard pvc cements are used, keep in mind these products typically cure quickly which will result in limited working time and may reduce adhesive strength.

For best results, surfaces to be glued should be smooth, clean and in complete contact with each other.

To bond Azek to other substrates, various adhesives may be used. Consult adhesive manufacturer to determine suitability.

## Expansion & Contraction

Azek products expand and contract with changes in temperature.

Properly fastening Azek material along its entire length will minimize expansion and contraction.

When properly fastened, allow 1/8" per 18 foot of Azek product for expansion and contraction. Joints between pieces of Azek should be glued to eliminate joint separation. See "gluing" section above.

When gaps are glued on a long run of Azek, allow expansion and contraction space at ends of the run.

Use 1/4" shims between fascia and gutter do not use 1/4" shims at corners. (Hip roof and on any returns)

