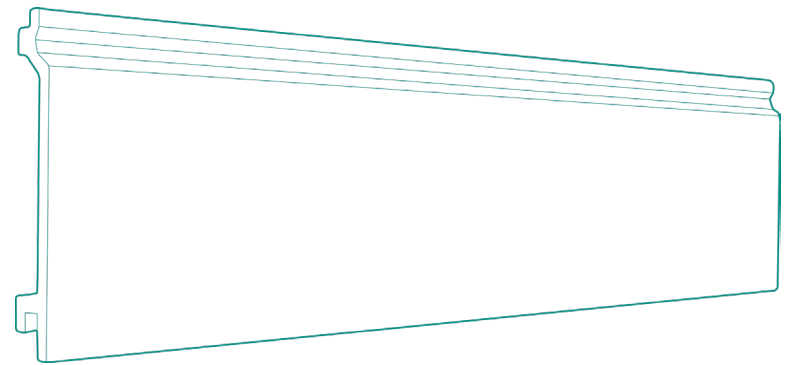




# COMPOSITE CLADDING

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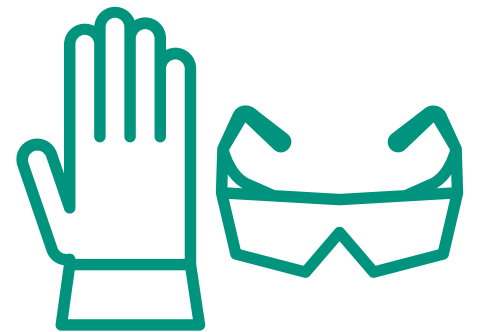
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# TIPS & ADVICE

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## Plan your project

- Use a minimum of 2 people to make the project easier
- Plan all areas and think about what is trying to be achieved
- Measure twice to ensure the correct measurements are taken before cutting any material
- Ensure all working areas are clear and free from any obstacles to avoid damage or injury
- Clear all vegetation where necessary to avoid unnecessary growth
- Pre-drill holes where necessary to avoid splitting materials

## Prepare for installation

- Ensure starter clips are 20mm from your cladding starting point
- Ensure starter clips are level to support the weight of the cladding boards
- Double batten where cladding boards meet for support
- Fix supporting blocks to battens to support cut cladding boards where required
- Allow a minimum 25mm space behind cladding boards for ventilation
- Allow expansion gaps where advised to avoid unnecessary repairs
- Only leave a maximum 20mm cladding board overhang

## Recommended tools

- Only use Assured fasteners and fixings with Assured products
- Refer to manufacturers user manual before using tools if unsure

## Safety first

- Always wear safety equipment
- Always have safety in mind

## Not sure about anything regarding installation?

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# HANDLING & STORAGE

## Looking after composite materials

When handling and storing our composite products follow the advice of our experts, this helps prevent damage and injury before installation

- When moving composite products please ensure the correct safety equipment is worn
- Check that the area where the products are being placed are clear and free from any obstacles
- Ensure the ground is a flat hard surface and place battens every 450mm approx intervals to support products above the ground
- We advise that 2 people move products due to the weight and length
- Do not drag or slide products especially when laying on top of one another
- Allow 24 hours for products to acclimatise to the environment before installation
- Any composite products stored for a long period of time will need to be covered



# RECOMMENDED TOOLS & SAFETY EQUIPMENT

## Safety matters

When installing our products you must install them as safely as possible. Ensure you have the right tools available which have been recommended by our team of experts



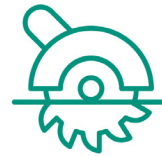
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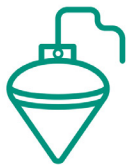
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Impact Driver



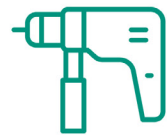
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String Line



Safety Clothing



Hammer Drill



Set Square



Jigsaw



Spirit Level



Clamp

If you are unsure on how to use any tool refer to the manufacturers user manual before continuing

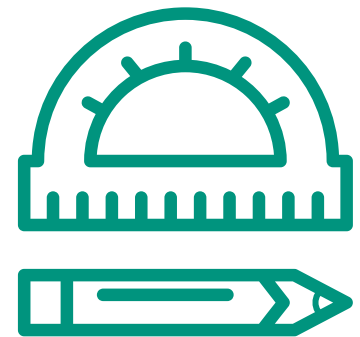






# INSTALLING SUBFRAME

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# INSTALLING SUBFRAME

## Subframe options

We advise you first to consider a layout pattern for your cladding project. You have the option of either a horizontal or a vertical cladding layout. The joist layout will run the opposite way to the cladding

Horizontal Cladding



Vertical Cladding

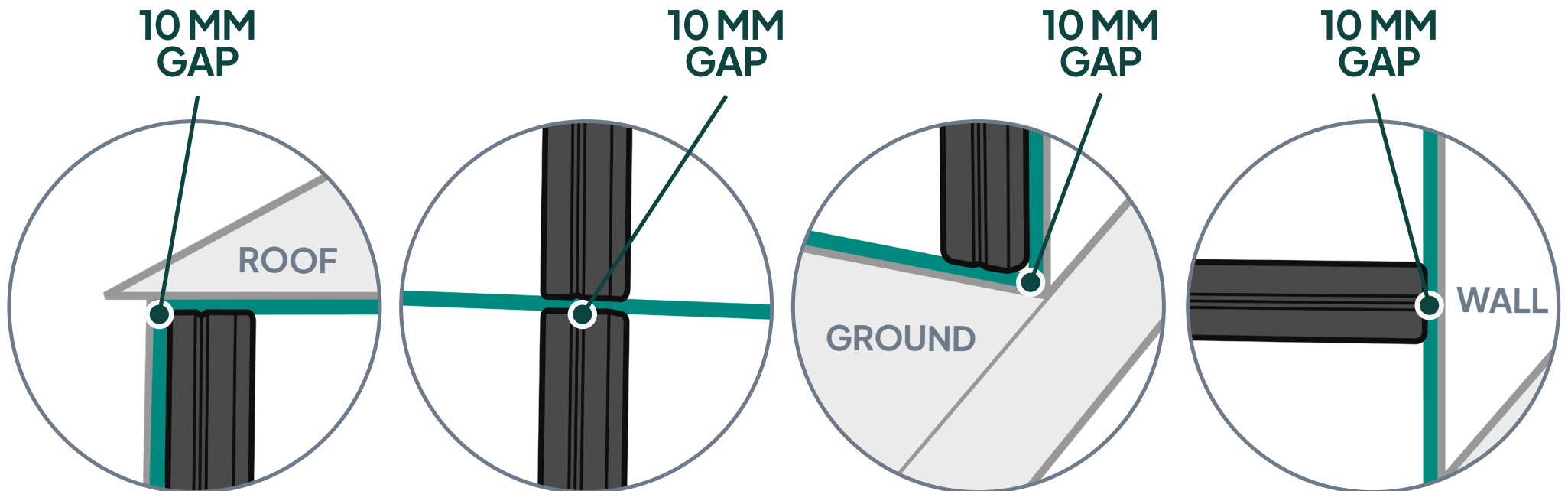




## Subframe options

Various batten options can be used when installing composite cladding including steel, aluminium, plastic, timber or composite. If you are installing battens for horizontal cladding then please refer to page 11. If you are installing battens for vertical cladding then please refer to page 12

- Ensure the wall is solid and flat and the area is clear and free from any obstacles including cables and pipes. If a waterproof membrane is required install this before the battens
- Keep 10mm expansion gaps from the ground, roof, side walls and at batten butt joins

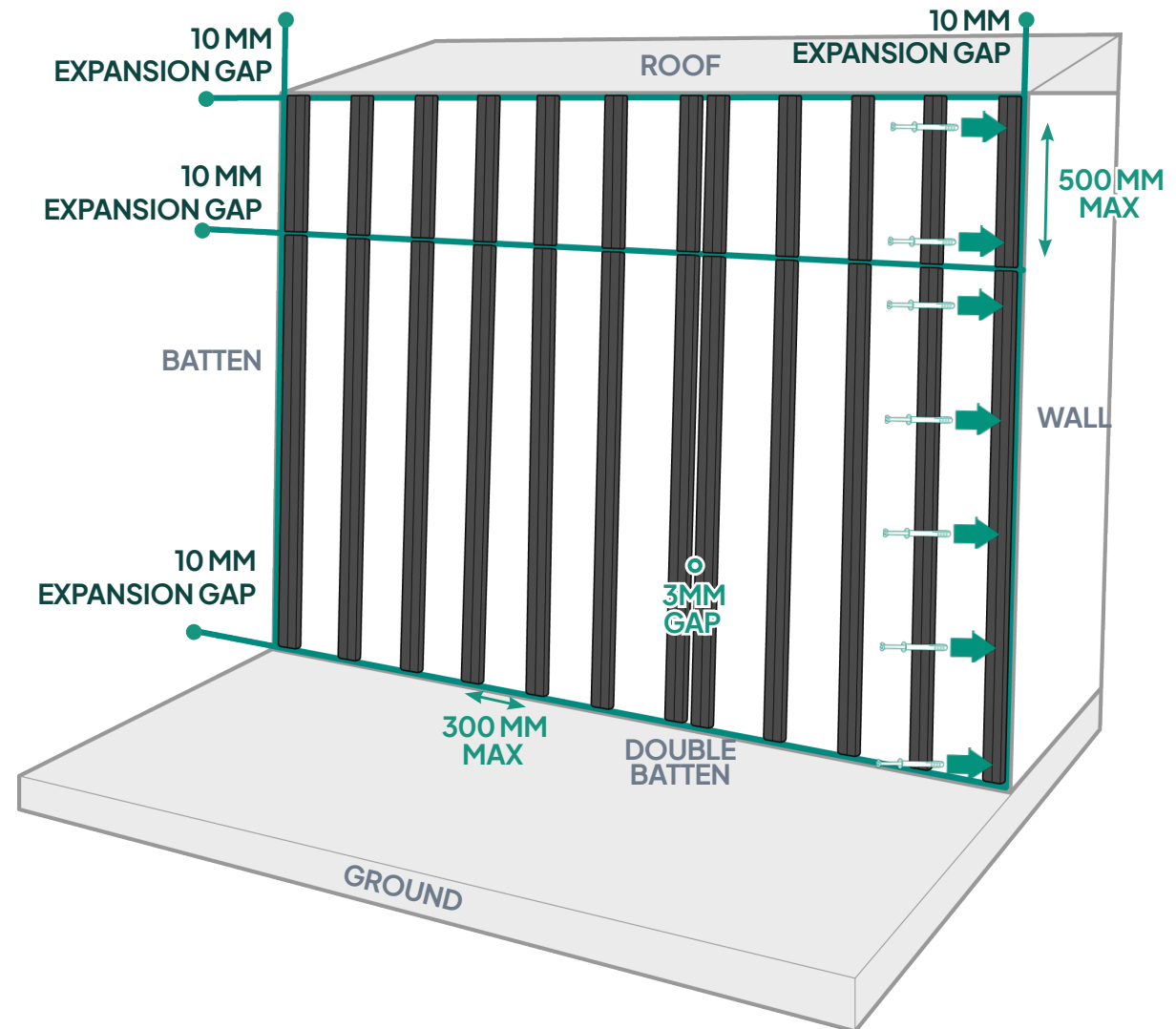
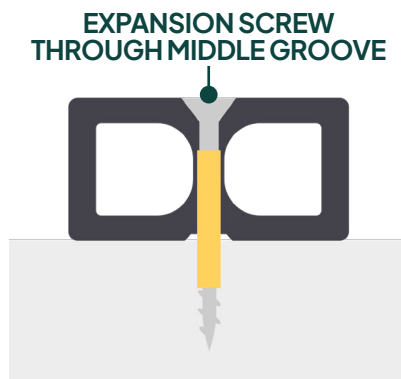




# HORIZONTAL CLADDING LAYOUT

Carefully plan the area checking all measurements. Measure and cut battens where required

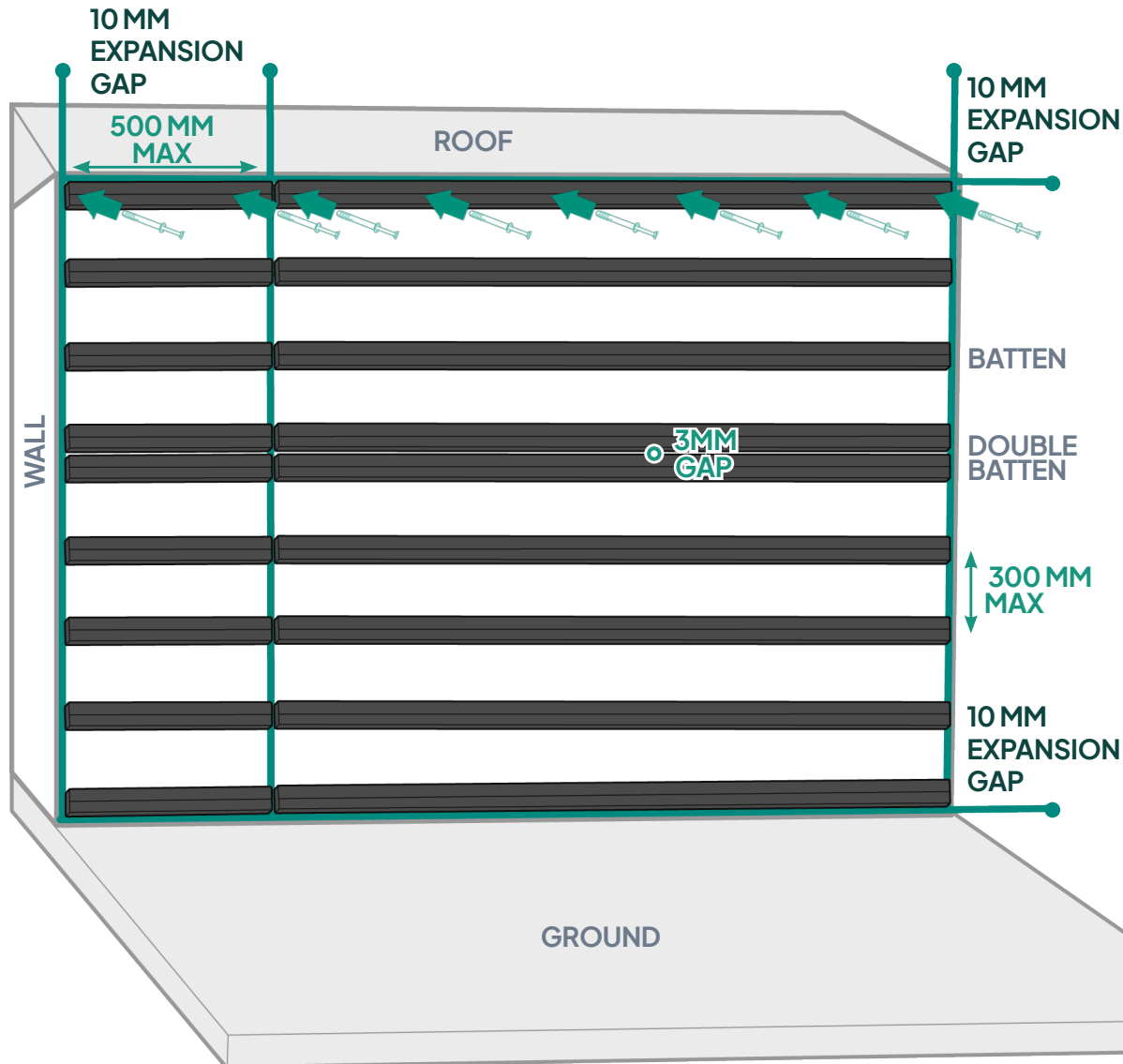
- 1 Fix battens into position leaving 300mm max intervals between each batten centre to centre
- 2 Fix battens into place with expansion screws by drilling holes through the middle groove of each batten and into the wall. Start at 80mm approx then at 500mm approx intervals
- 3 Double batten where cladding boards meet at butt joints allowing a 3mm gap between battens



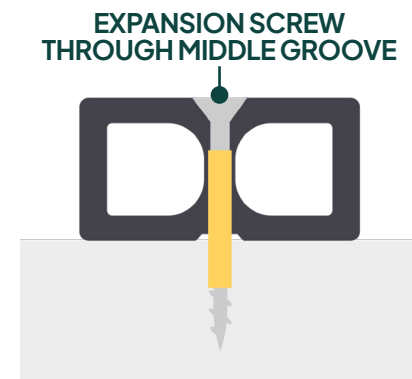


# VERTICAL CLADDING LAYOUT

Carefully plan the area checking all measurements. Measure and cut battens where required



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- 2 Fix battens into place with expansion screws by drilling holes through the middle groove of each batten and into the wall. Start at 80mm approx then at 500mm approx intervals
- 3 Double batten where cladding boards meet at butt joins allowing a 3mm gap between battens





# CLADDING & ACCESSORIES

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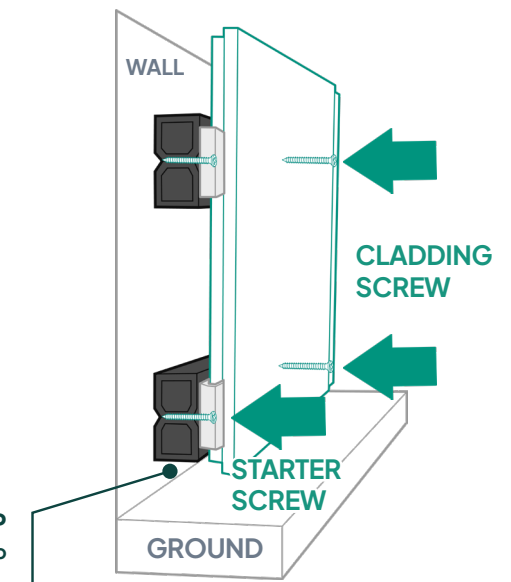
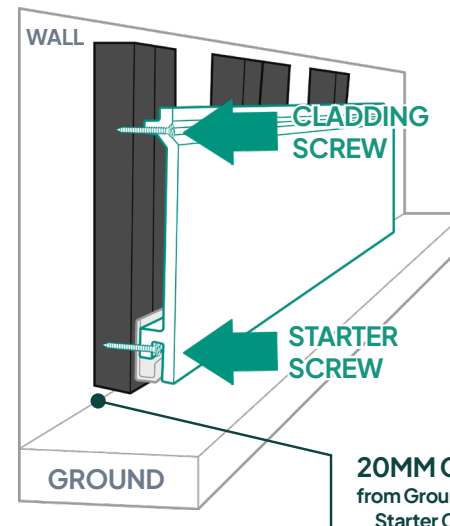
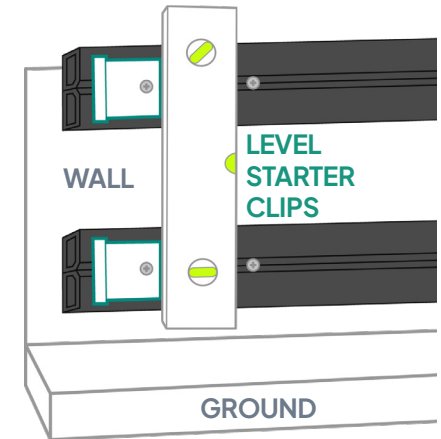
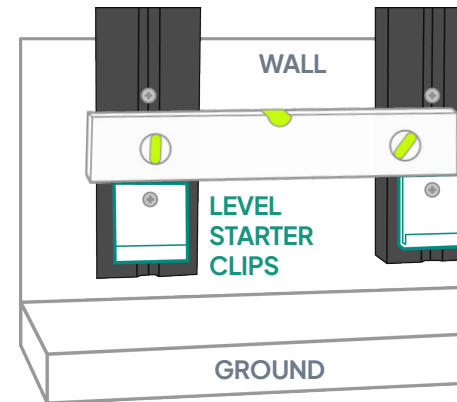




# INSTALLING CLADDING BOARDS USING STARTER CLIPS

## HORIZONTAL LAYOUT

## VERTICAL LAYOUT



- 1 Fix starter clips to the framework at every batten leaving 20mm from the ground or side wall. Screw through the hole on each starter clip with the screws provided ensuring that the screws are fully screwed into place to prevent catching on the cladding board when installed

Ensure all starter clips are level before continuing

- 2 Sit the first cladding board into the starter clips ensuring that the cladding board is securely in place before continuing. If installing vertically you may need to hold in place before fixing

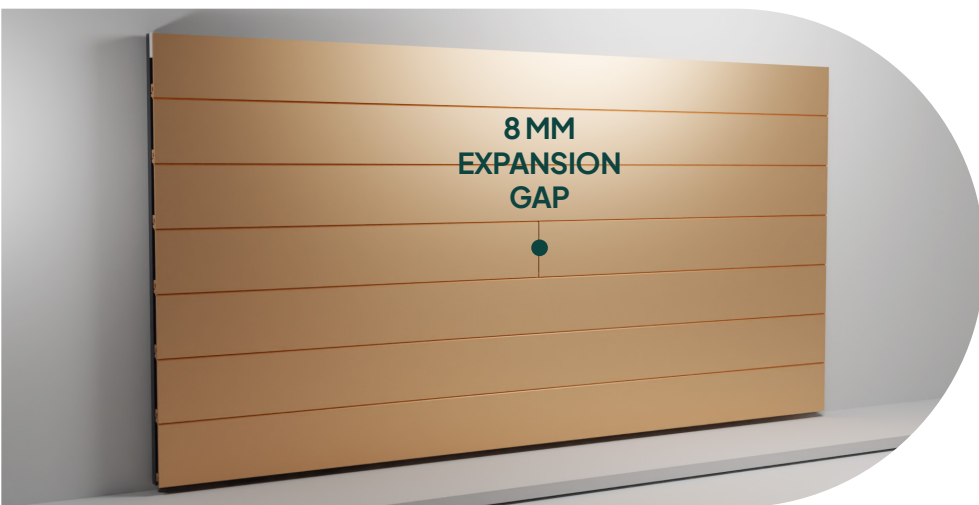
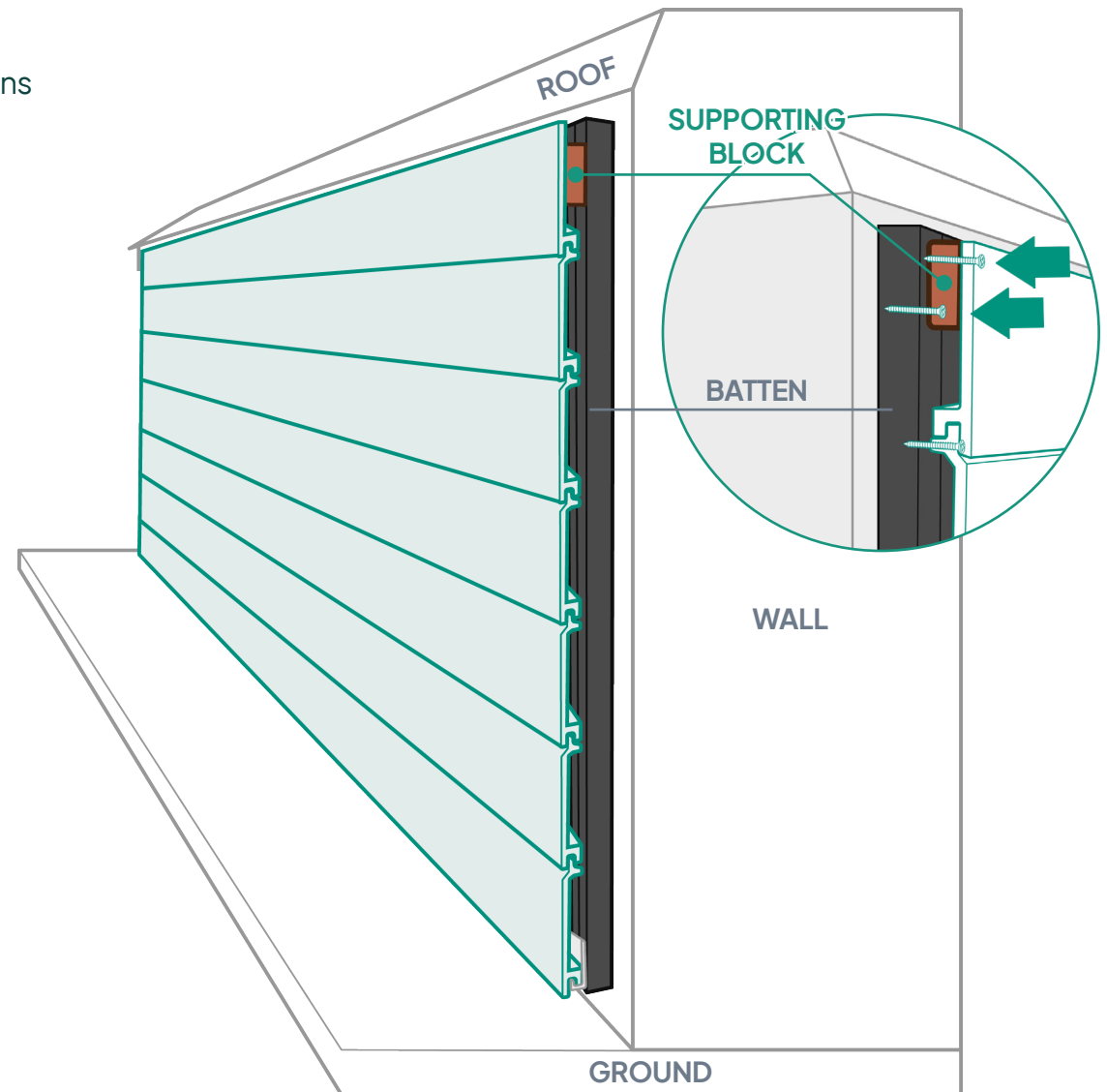
- 3 Pre-drill holes and screw through the groove of the cladding board and into each batten to secure. Ensure that the screws are fully screwed into place to prevent catching on the next cladding board

- 4 If installing horizontal cladding please refer to page 15. If installing vertical cladding please refer to page 16

20MM GAP  
from Ground to  
Starter Clip

# INSTALLING HORIZONTAL CLADDING BOARDS

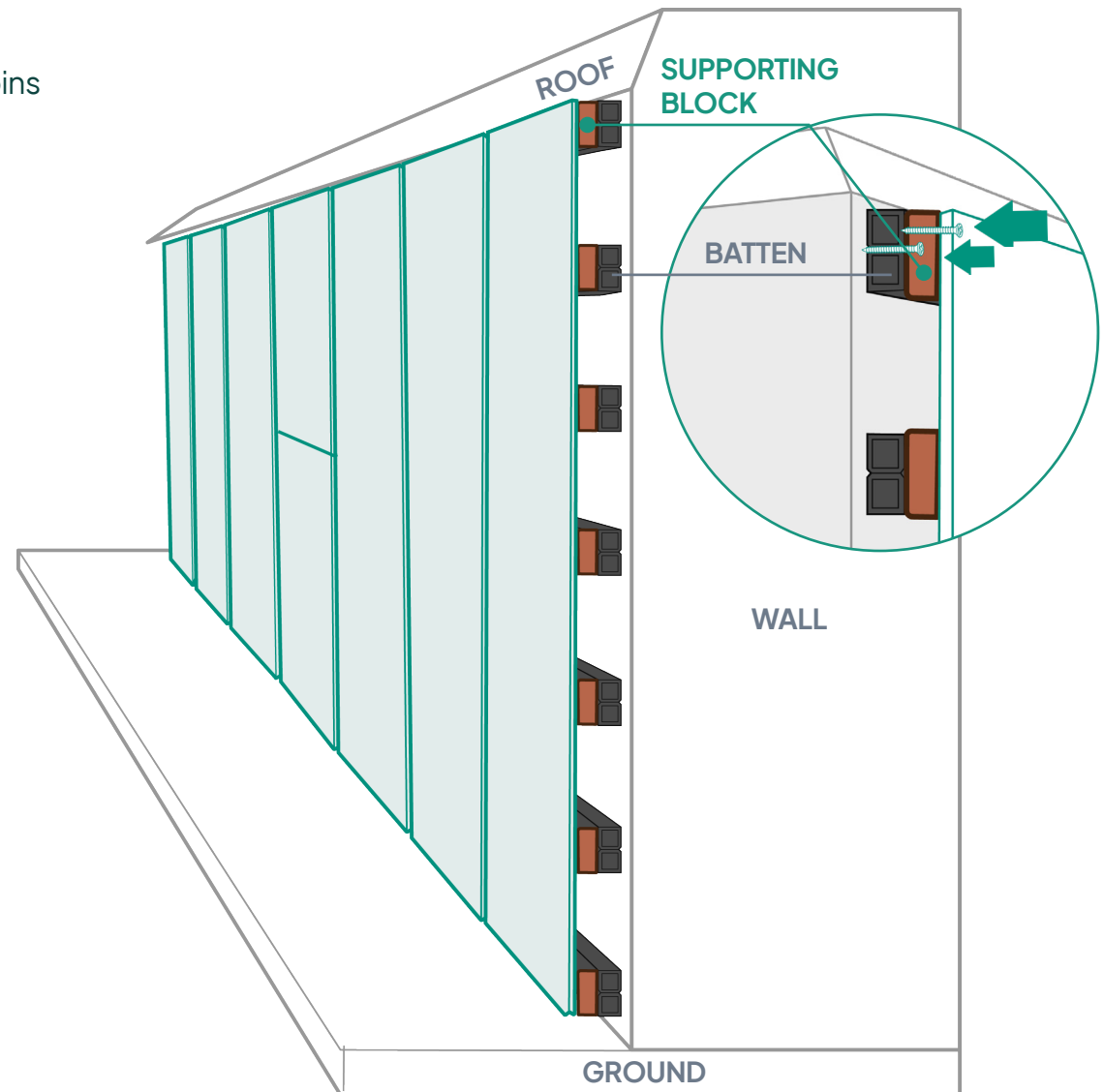
- 1 Continue with the same process until the last cladding board cutting cladding boards where required. Leave 8mm expansion gaps between cladding board butt joints
- 2 If the last cladding board does not fit as a whole then cut the cladding board to size
- 3 Cut and fix supporting blocks to each batten to support cladding boards where required
- 4 Fix into place by pre-drilling holes and screwing through the face of the cladding board through the supporting block and into each batten





# INSTALLING VERTICAL CLADDING BOARDS

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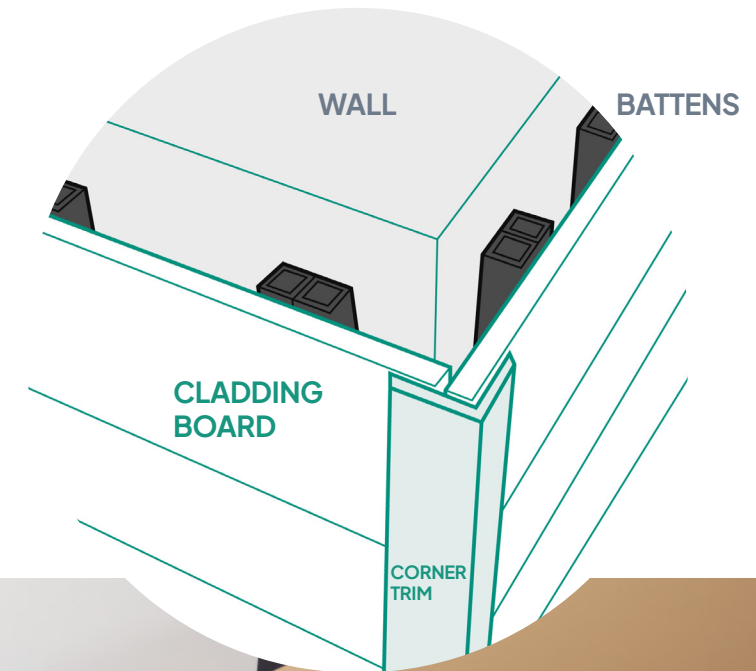


8 MM  
EXPANSION  
GAP

Carefully plan the area checking all measurements. Measure and cut corner trim where required

- 1 Fix the corner trim by covering the cladding board edge
- 2 Pre-drill holes and fix into place by screwing directly through the corner trim and into the cladding board. Start at 80mm approx and then at every 300mm approx intervals. Leave a 2mm expansion gap when joining corner trim

Corner trim can also be fixed into place using a high bond strength grab adhesive



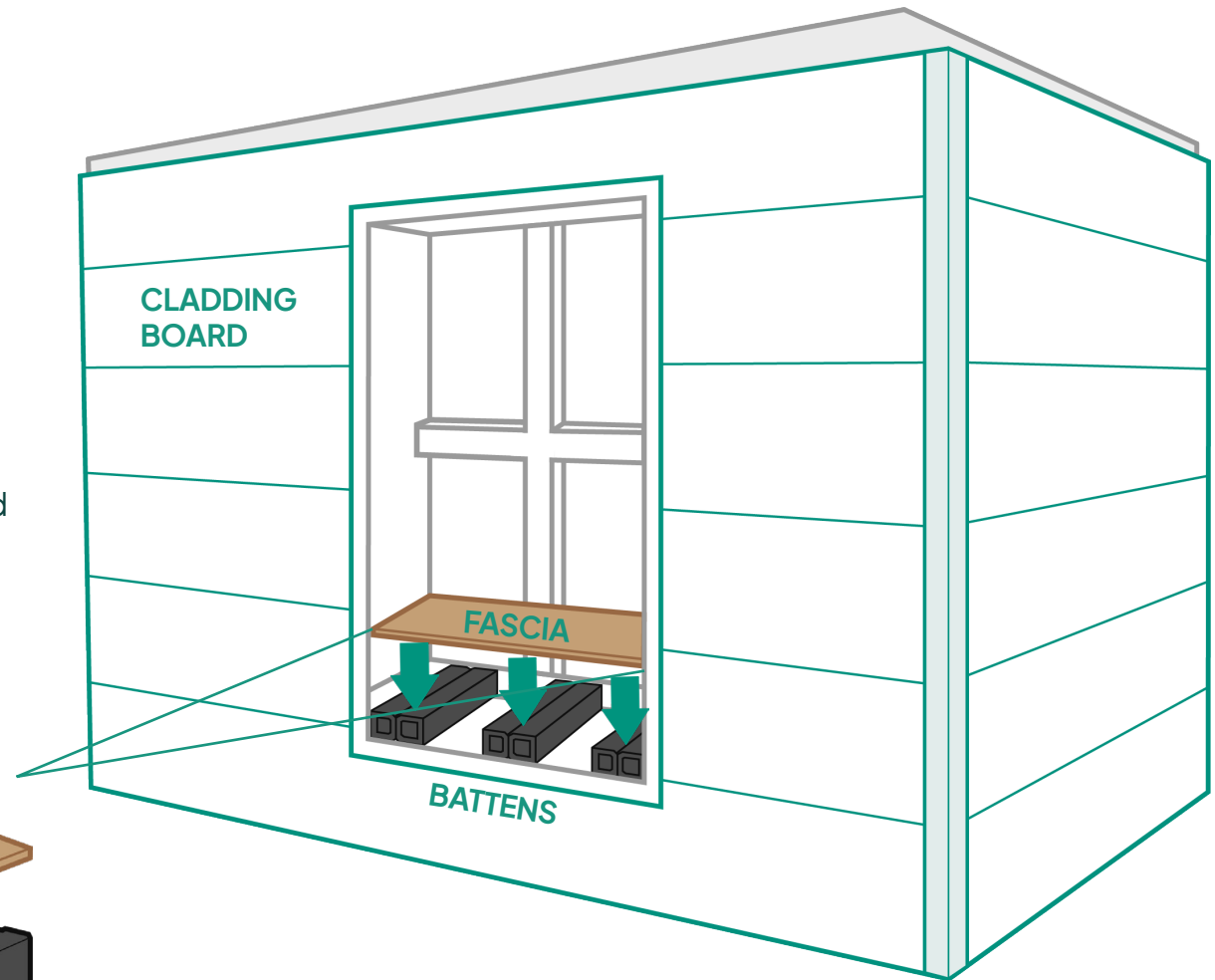
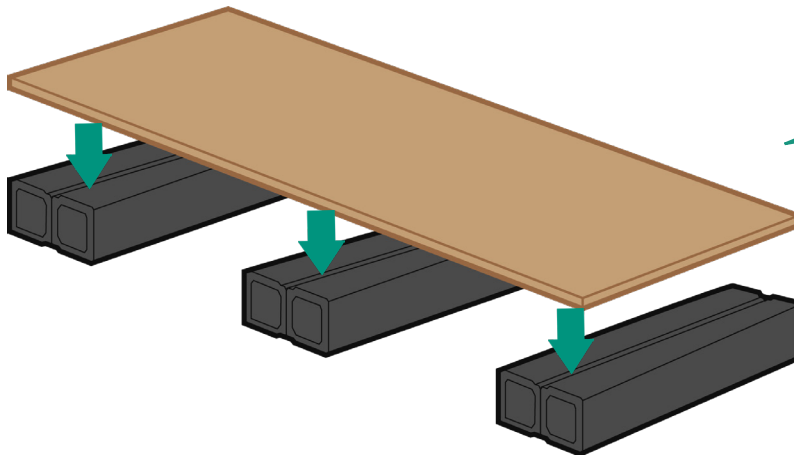


# INSTALLING FASCIA

Carefully plan the area checking all measurements. Measure and cut battens and fascia where required

- 1 Fix battens into position leaving a 2mm expansion gap at either end
- 2 Fix the fascia by pre-drilling holes top and bottom and screwing through the face of the fascia. Start at 80mm approx then at every 300mm approx intervals. Ensure that the fascia finishes flush with the cladding board. Leave a 2mm expansion gap when joining fascia

Fascia can also be fixed into place using a high bond strength grab adhesive







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