The following installation guide details the installation method for windows installed before the weather-resistant barrier. Compliance with the building code and proper installation are critical in reducing potential water leakage points. The following Fortifiber Building Systems Group products are acceptable for this method:

- Moistop Sealant and Liquid Flashing
- Moistop PF Flashing
  6, 9, 12 and 18 inch x 300’ rolls
- Moistop neXT Flashing
  6, 9 and 12 inch x 200’ rolls

Apply Moistop Sealant and Liquid Flashing when the air and substrate temperature is between 40°F and 110°F. The application surface should be clean, dry, smooth, and free of contaminants. Fill any cracks or joints that are less than ½” with Moistop Sealant and Liquid Flashing and allow sealant to skin over. Repair any joints over ½” to provide a smooth solid surface.

Insure that sill framing is sloped to provide drainage to the exterior.

1 SEAL CORNERS/JOINTS

Apply Moistop Sealant and Liquid Flashing to all rough opening corners and at joints between sheathing and rough framing. Tool sealant into corners to provide a fillet.

2 INSTALL SILL FLASHING

Apply ⅜" bead of Moistop Sealant and Liquid Flashing below rough opening and wet-set Moistop PF sill flashing. Install fasteners to secure the Moistop PF and apply Moistop Sealant and Liquid Flashing to the full width of the sill rough opening and butter sealant 1 inch minimum over the top of the Moistop PF flashing.

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3 APPLY FACE FLASHING

Apply liquid flashing to the face of the exterior wall extending 6 inches minimum onto the face of the wall at a minimum thickness of 15 mils. Allow the flashing to skin over before installing the window.

4 INSTALL WINDOW

Apply a ⅜” bead of Moistop Sealant and Liquid Flashing to the back of the window flange at the jambs and the head and install the window according to the manufacturer’s installation instructions.

5 SEAL GAPS AND FLANGES

Using Moistop Sealant and Liquid Flashing, seal any gaps between the flange and the wall face at the jambs and the head and allow the sealant to cure.

Apply Moistop Sealant and Liquid Flashing over the top of the head flange and jamb flanges of the window, tool to at least 1 inch on the flange and 2 inches onto the face of the wall.

6 BACK DAM

Provide a back dam and air seal to the inside of the rough opening. The configuration of the back dam will vary based on the profile of the window being installed.

7 INSTALL WRB

Install the WRB, lapping over the jamb and head flashing and tucking the WRB under the sill flashing.

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