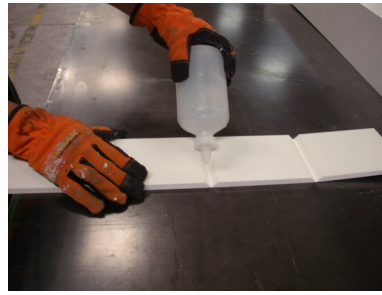




10) Nail column to post **ONLY ON THE BOTTOM** . Do not attach at center or top (to allow for expansion).



11) Apply adhesive to mitered edges of base moulding and wrap around bottom of column shaft.



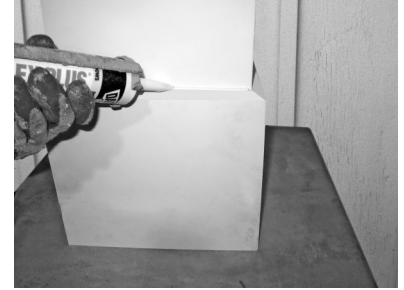
12) Fasten joints on base with pin-nails.



13) The **TOP** of the shaft should **NOT** be fastened to the post and there should be at least 1/2" gap to allow expansion (see step 2).



14) Install cap, repeating steps 11 and 12.

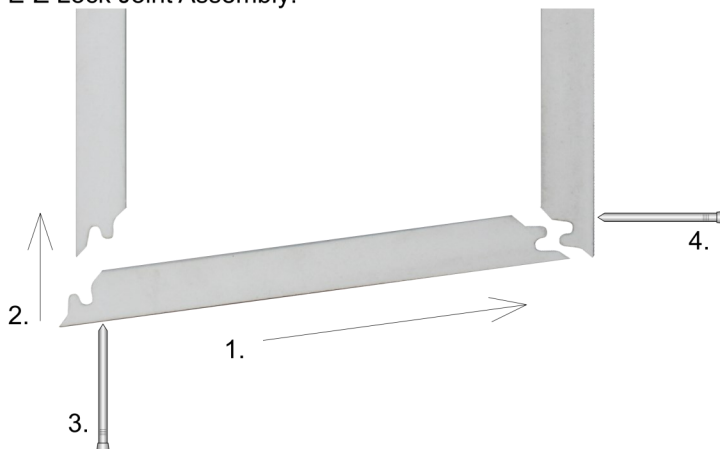


15) Caulk edges of base, cap, and nail holes.



16) Clean surface of column with cleaner recommended by the paint manufacturer. (Do not use solvents). Allow to dry completely, then paint with 2 coats of acrylic latex paint. **Warning: using dark colors might cause excessive thermal expansion.**

E-Z Lock Joint Assembly:



Please note the correct assembly of the E-Z Lock joint shown at the left. Nails **MUST** be installed only in the edges shown (3 and 4). Installing on the other edges may result in open seams.

- 1) Glue both joint edges; slide first joint together
- 2) Push second joint closed
- 3) Nail this joint first
- 4) Nail this joint second

Notes:

Always use non-corrosive fasteners — galvanized, stainless steel, etc. for exterior installations, and always follow glue and paint manufacturer's instructions.

*Column must not be allowed to collect water, debris, etc. If the top of the column extends beyond the soffit/beam, the cap must be flashed with lead, copper, aluminum, etc. to prevent entry of water or foreign materials.