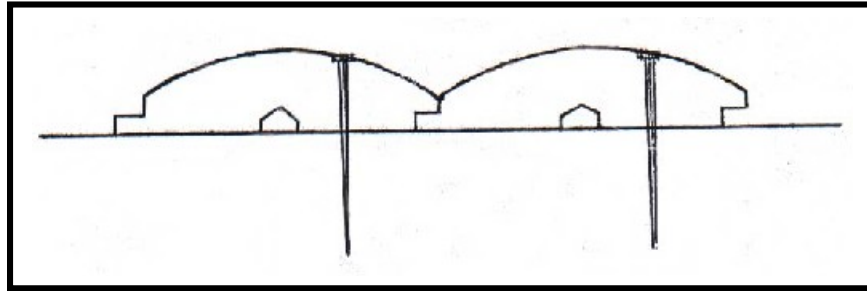


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Start installing log cabin siding from the bottom and work your way to the top, using a level and/or string line. In general, 2x4, 2x6, and 2x8 trim boards should be installed prior to the log siding. Nail the siding 2/3 to 3/4 of the way down the board, one nail on each stud with sixteen pennie (16d) siding nails. Do not use more than one nail on one board through a stud, as this may cause splitting. Black siding nails, galvanized nails, steel siding nails, and 3" decking screws can all be used. Decking screws are recommended for installations that are south-facing or any area where the siding will be exposed to intense sunlight with little or no shade.



Staining Log Cabin Siding

Siding should be stained on the front and back before it is installed. If staining is done after installation, it should be done during the driest part of the year and after it has had at least 2 weeks to dry. Because siding shrinks and expands with fluctuating seasonal humidity, a white line can be left at the point of shrinkage. If your siding is subject to intense sunlight with little or no shade, we suggest the application of two coats of stain and of a coat of finish on the back of the boards. This will prevent the absorption of moisture from the back side of the log siding. This finishing is in addition to the application of housewrap.

Acclimation

RBM Lumber's Log Cabin Siding is acclimated and ready for installation.

General Note: RBM Lumber, Inc. is not responsible for shrinkage of lumber, splitting, or other issues caused by improper installation. If you have any questions about your particular application, please ask us. We are happy to help guide you.

