

# Installing a Window with Building Paper on OSB over Wood Frame Wall

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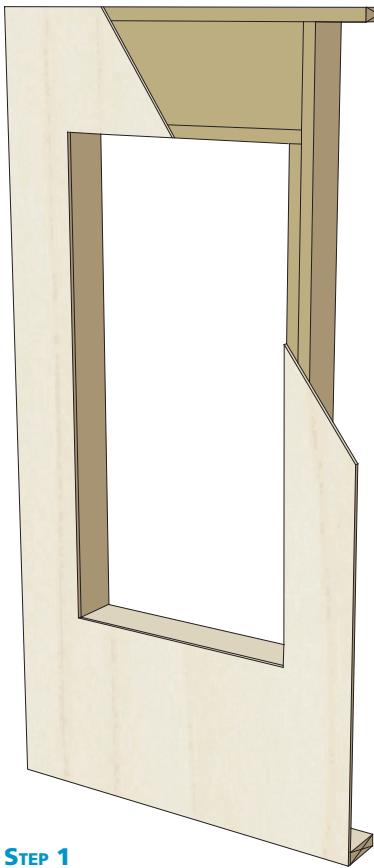
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Abstract:

*Details on how to install a window using building paper as the drainage plane.*

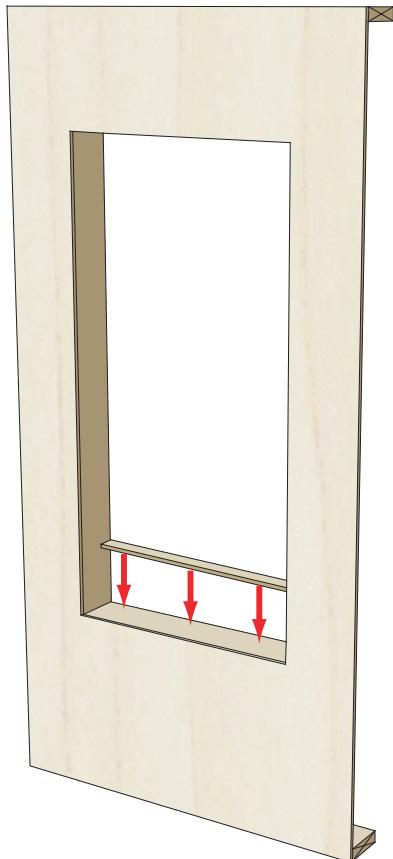
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## INSTALLING WINDOW WITH BUILDING PAPER ON OSB OVER WOOD FRAME WALL



### STEP 1

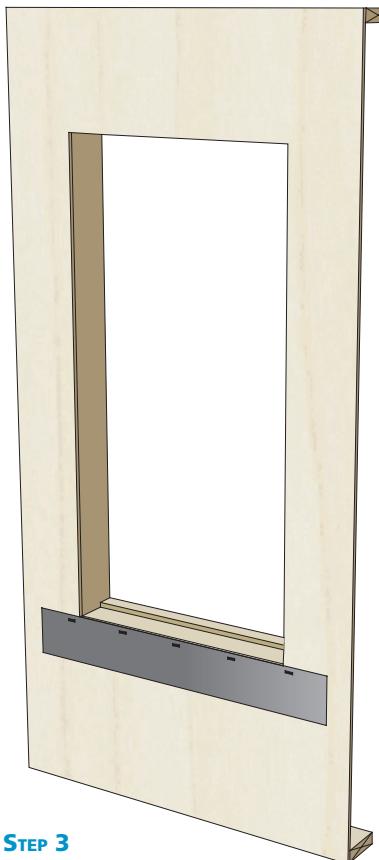
**OSB ON WOOD FRAME WALL**



### STEP 2

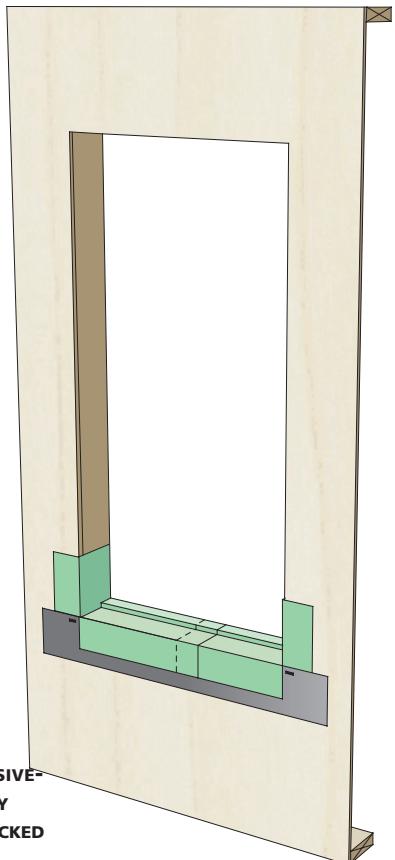
**INSTALL WOOD BACKDAM**

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### STEP 3

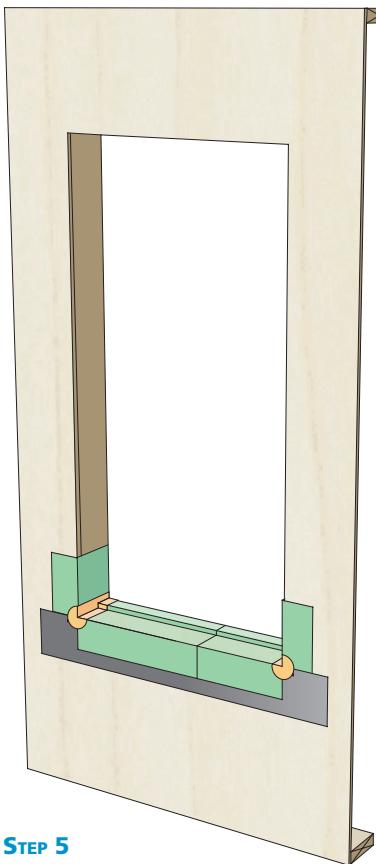
MECHANICALLY ATTACH STRIP  
OF BUILDING PAPER AT SILL;  
ATTACH AT TOP ONLY, LEAVE SIDES  
AND BOTTOM LOOSE



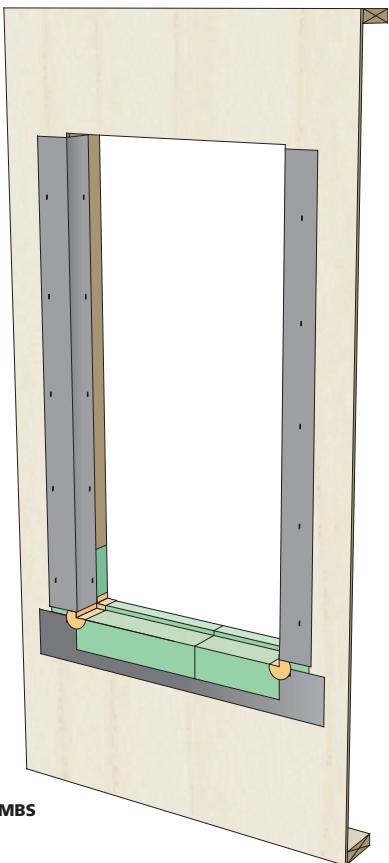
### STEP 4

APPLY FIRST PIECE OF ADHESIVE-  
BACKED SILL FLASHING; APPLY  
SECOND PIECE OF ADHESIVE-BACKED  
SILL FLASHING

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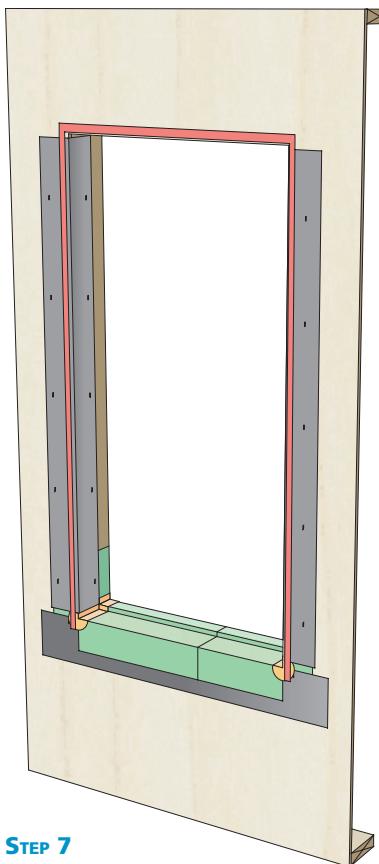


**STEP 5**  
INSTALL CORNER FLASHING PATCHES  
AT SILL



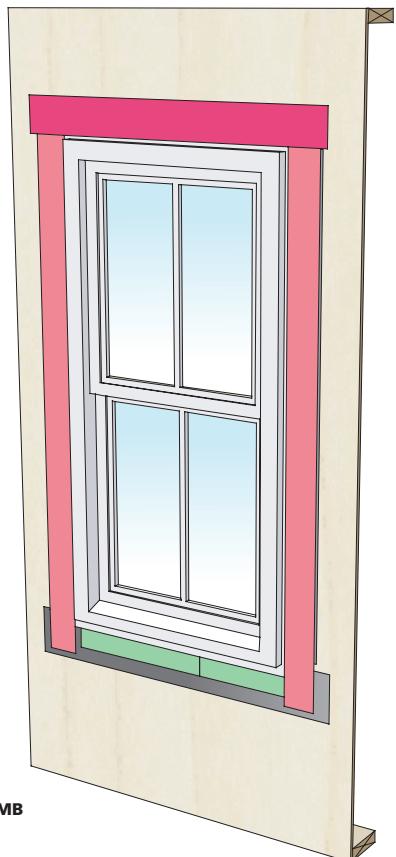
**STEP 6**  
INSTALL BUILDING PAPER AT JAMBS

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### STEP 7

APPLY SEALANT AT JAMBS  
AND HEAD; ALTERNATIVELY, SEALANT  
CAN BE PLACED ON THE BACK SIDE OF  
THE NAILING FLANGE (BACK-CAULKED)



### STEP 8

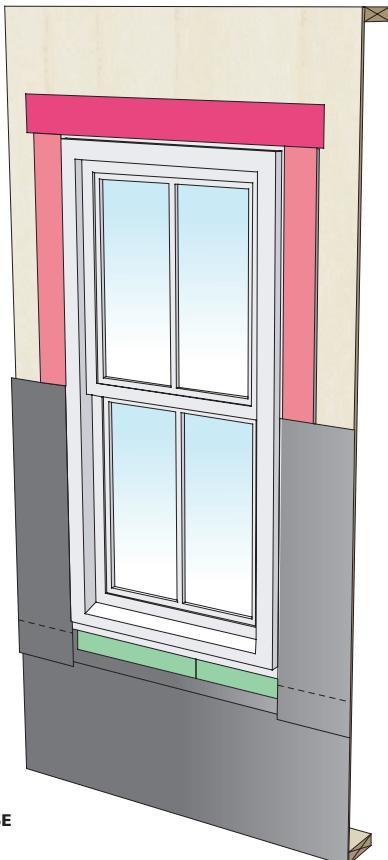
INSTALL WINDOW; INSTALL JAMB  
FLASHING THEN HEAD FLASHING

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### STEP 9

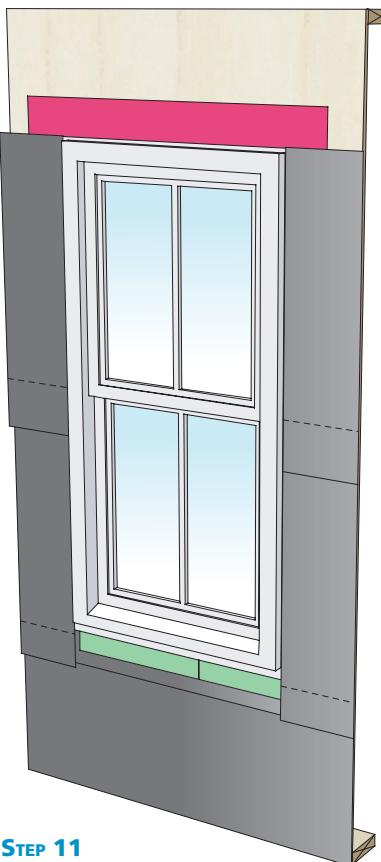
INSTALL FIRST COURSE OF BUILDING  
PAPER UNDER SILL FLASHING



### STEP 10

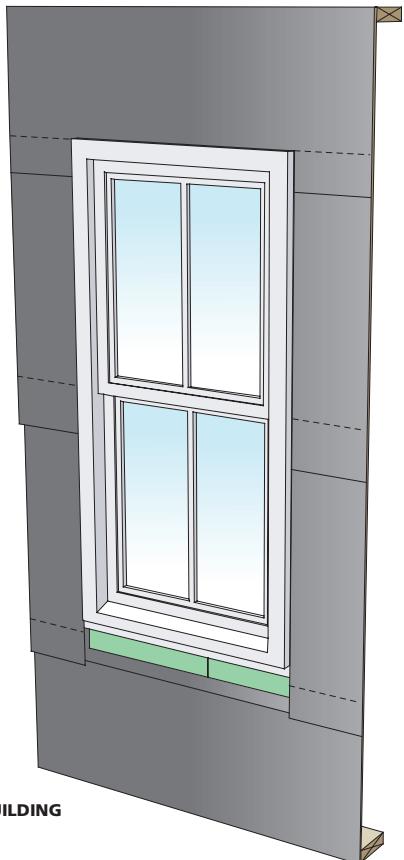
INSTALL SECOND COURSE  
OF BUILDING PAPER AT JAMBS

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### STEP 11

INSTALL THIRD COURSE OF BUILDING  
PAPER AT JAMBS



### STEP 12

INSTALL FOURTH COURSE OF BUILDING  
PAPER AT HEAD

## About this Report

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