# 4500 Series

# Fabrication and Installation Instructions





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## GENERAL CONSTRUCTION NOTES

- 1. These instructions cover typical product application, fabrication, installation and standard conditions and are general in nature. They provide useful guidelines, but the final distribution drawings may include additional details specific to this project. Any conflict or discrepancies must be clarified prior to execution.
- 2. Materials stored at the job site must be kept in a safe place removed from possible damage by other trades. Stack with adequate separation so materials will not rub together, and store off the ground. Cardboard or paper wrapped materials must be kept dry. Check arriving materials for quantity and keep record of where various materials are stored.
- 3. All field welding must be done in accordance with AISC guidelines. All aluminum and glass should be shielded from field welding to avoid damage from weld splatter. Results will be unsightly and may be structurally unsound. Advise general contractor and other trades accordingly.
- 4. Coordinate protection of installed work with general contractor and/or other trades.
- 5. Coordinate sequence of other trades which affect framing installation with the general contractor (e.g. fire proofing, back up walls, partitions, ceiling, mechanical ducts, convectors, etc.).
- 6. General contractor should furnish and guarantee bench marks, offset lines and opening dimensions. These items should be checked for accuracy before proceeding with erection. Make certain that all adjacent substrate construction is in accordance with the contract documents and/or approved shop drawings. If not, notify the general contractor in writing before proceeding with installation because this could constitute acceptance of adjacent substrate construction by others.
- 7. Isolate all aluminum to be placed directly in contact with masonry or other incompatible materials with a heavy coat of zinc chromate or bituminous paint.
- 8. Sealant selection is the responsibility and option of the erector, installer and/or glazing contractor and must be approved by the sealant manufacturer with regard to application and compatibility for its intended use. All sealants must be used in strict accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and applied only by trained personnel to surfaces that have been properly prepared.
- 9. Sealant must be compatible with all materials with which they have contact, including other sealant surfaces. Consult sealant manufacturer for recommendations relative to shelf life, compatibility, cleaning of substrate, priming, tooling adhesion, etc.
- 10. Drainage gutters and weep holes must be kept clean at all times. Tubelite cannot accept responsibility for improper drainage as a result of clogged gutters and weep holes.
- 11. This product requires clearances at head, sill and jambs to allow for thermal expansion and contraction. Refer to final distribution drawings for joint sizes. Joints smaller than ¼" may be subject to failure. Consult your sealant supplier.
- 12. All materials are to be installed plumb, level and true with regard to established bench marks and column center lines established by the general contractor and checked by the erector, installer and/or glazing contractor.
- 13. Cleaning of exposed aluminum surfaces should be done per AAMA recommendations.
- 14. Due to varying perimeter conditions and job performance requirements, anchor fasteners are

- not specified in these instructions. For anchor fastening, refer to the shop drawings or consult the fastener supplier.
- 15. Codes governing the design and use of the products vary widely. Tubelite does not control the selection of the product configurations, operating hardware, or glazing materials, and assumes no responsibility of these design considerations. It is the responsibility of the owner, specifier, architect, general contractor and the installer to make these selections in strict conformance with all applicable codes.
- 16. Check our website, <u>www.tubeliteinc.com</u>, for the latest installation manual prior to commencing work.

# **EXTRUDED ALUMINUM PARTS**

Shape	Description	Part No.	Shape	Description	Part No.
	Open Back Head, Jamb/Vertical	E4541	٦	Snap-in Glazing Gutter	E4026
4444	Pocket Closure for Open Back Members	E4542	رات ا	Screw applied Gutter	E4014
	Open Back Sill/Horizontal/ Head	E4540	٦	Glazing Stop	E4015
	Sill Flashing	E45159	<u> न</u>	Snap-in Glazing Gutter	E4013
[ ]	Glazing Stop	E4504		Intermediate Horizontal	E4503
	Open Back Door Jamb	E4544		4" Sidelight Base	E14026
	Door Header/ Transom Bar	E45123	<u> </u>	Sidelight Base Anchor Channel	E14027
	Door Header/ transom Bar	E45124		4 1/2" x 4 1/2" Sidelight Base/ Horizontal	E4534
	Heavy wall vertical mullion	E4562	<u> </u>	One Pocket Corner	E45108
	Vertical mullion	E4561	֡֝֞֝֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓֓	One Pocket Corner	E45109
ב כ	4 1/2" x 41/2" Vertical mullion	E45009	-	Pocketless corner	E45110
نلن	Door stop	E4531	ئ ب ب	Two pocket corner	E45111

Shape	Description	Part No.	Shape	Description	Part No.
L	Screw applied door stop	E2298		135° Corner	E45005
	Open Back Door Jamb	E4545	نگئ	Rotational mullion	E45248
	1 3/4" x 4 1/2" Tube	E0041	<del>(-c-36)</del>	Center pivot member for E45248	E14247
	4" x 41/2" Tube	E14080		4 1/2" x 41/2" Tube	E0133
, ,	Head Receptor Female Half	E14129	لعا	Expansion Vertical - Male Half	E4506
7	Head Receptor Male Half	E14130	لــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــ	Expansion Vertical - Female Half	E4507
[ ]	Head Receptor Channel	E45116		1 3/4" x 4 1/2" Open-back tube	E0405
7.7	Snap-in Pocket Filler	E4011		Snap-in back with nail fin	E4553
	Flat Closure for Open Back Members	E4543		Extruded sill flashing	E14159

# **ACCESSORIES**

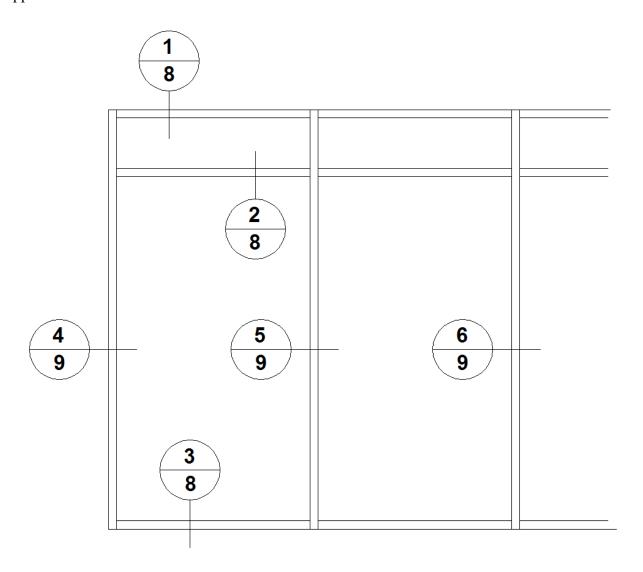
Shape	Description	Part No.
गृ	Roll-In Glazing Gasket	P2428
र्षः	Roll-In Glazing Gasket	P487
нD	Improved Bulb type Gasket – use with E14129/E14130	P2511
7	Wiper Gasket (use with E45116 & E45248)	P1221
<u> </u>	Pile Weathering with vinyl fin	P1098A
<b>L</b>	Setting Block	P575
Ţ.	Frame Clip	P531
н Н	Frame Clip	P532
£—	Frame Clip	P917
11	Door Stop Header Filler Block	P503
	Clip for Sidelight Base E14026	P1137
	End Dam for sill flashing	P1142
Series - Pavision July 20	Subsill splice	P1144

Shape	Description	Part No.	
	Water Diverter	P878	
	#10-24 X 1 Hex IND Type F Screw	S449	
( <del>)</del>	#10 x 1 ¾" Type B Phillips Pan Head Screw Fastener for clip to horizontal attachment.	S009	
]1001 <b>00100</b>	#10 x 5/8" Phillips Flat Head for Clip Joint Connections	S192	
	#12 x ¾" Type B Phillips Flat Head Screw	S149	
<b>∮10001</b> □	#10 x ½" Type B, Phillips Truss Head	S191	
<b>\</b>	Steel Reinforcing- Primer Painted 12'-0" lengths	P1437	
	Splice Sleeve for E45159 Sill Flashing, with tape	P1143	
	Drill Fixture	P796 B	
	5/16" - 18 threaded swivel pad thumb screw w/ delrin tip for P1139	P1682	
	PVC Closure – plate snap fits with open back frames, 10'0" lengths	P4543A	
	Subsill end dam	P1153	
	Drill Fixture	P1139	
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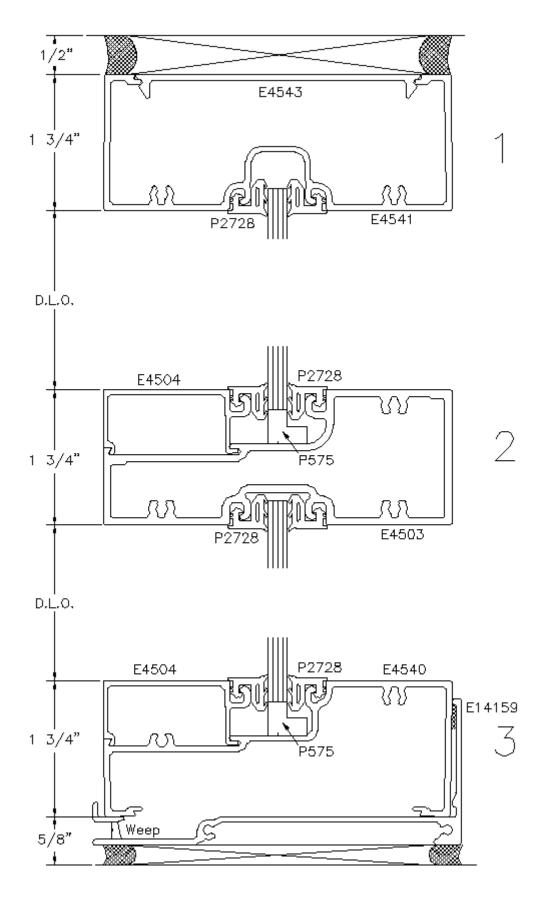
# **OVERVIEW**

There are two distinct methods for assembling the 4500 Series: screw spline assembly, and shear block (frame clip) assembly.

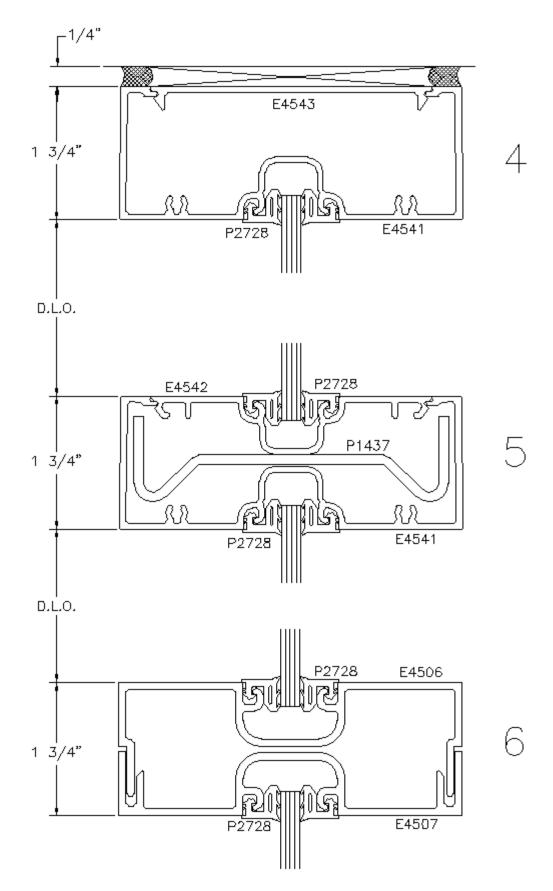
The illustration below shows the elevation view of a typical 4500 Series installation. The number in the top half of each circle is the number of a figure showing details of the associated system component; the number in the bottom half of each circle gives the page number on which that figure appears.



Elevation of a typical 4500 Series installation



**Typical horizontal details** 



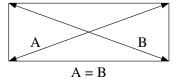
Typical vertical details

# FRAME FABRICATION

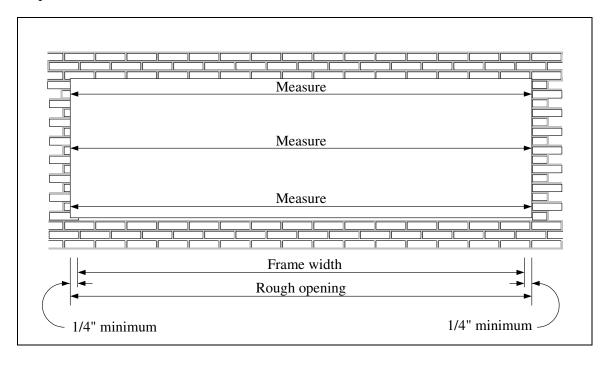
### Step #1: Determine frame size

#### **Determine frame width**

Check that the opening is square and plumb at both ends. Units must be installed in a true rectangle.

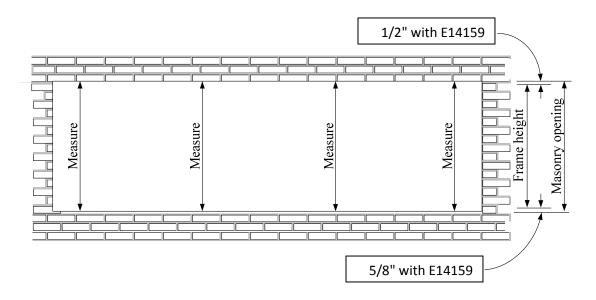


- Measure the width of the masonry opening at the top, middle and bottom.
- Select the smallest dimension measured. To determine the frame width to be used, subtract a minimum of 1/2" from the smallest measured width, to allow a minimum of 1/4" at each jamb for shimming and caulking. Allow a larger clearance if necessary to accommodate building tolerances, an out-of-square opening, and/or anticipated thermal expansion within the unit.



#### **Determine frame height**

- Measure the height of the masonry opening in several places along the entire length of the opening.
- To determine the frame height to be used, select the smallest dimension measured and subtract 1 1/8" to allow a minimum of 5/8" at sill and 1/2" at head for shimming and caulking. Allow a larger clearance if necessary to accommodate building tolerances, an out-of-square opening, and/or anticipated thermal expansion within the unit.



#### Step #2: Cut sub sill to size

- Cut sill (E-14159) to frame width determined in Step #1 on page 10 (rough opening minus clearances). If the installation is to include an entrance, the sill should butt against the back of the door jamb (no clearance).
- Sill longer than 24' in length must be spliced using part number P-1144. If sill must be spliced, allow 3/8" to 1/2" for the width of the splice. Sill splice located at the center of the day light opening between verticals
- Expansion mullion require for every 16 20 feet of run with corresponding sub-sill splice located at the center of the day light opening between verticals. The dimension of the expansion mullion assembly should be adjusted based on the temperature at the time of assembly and expected high and low service temperatures. For example, the sight line will be reduced slightly when installed in hot weather and increased slightly when installed in cold weather.
- At the quarter points of each light, drill 7/32" diameter holes in the sill. Install a PTB42 weep baffle in the gutter of the extruded sill flashing behind each weep hole.

## Step #3: Cut vertical framing members to size

- Verticals should be the frame height found in Step #1 above (rough opening height minus clearances).
- As shown in the elevation overview on page 7, vertical framing members run through.

#### Step #4: Cut horizontal framing members to size

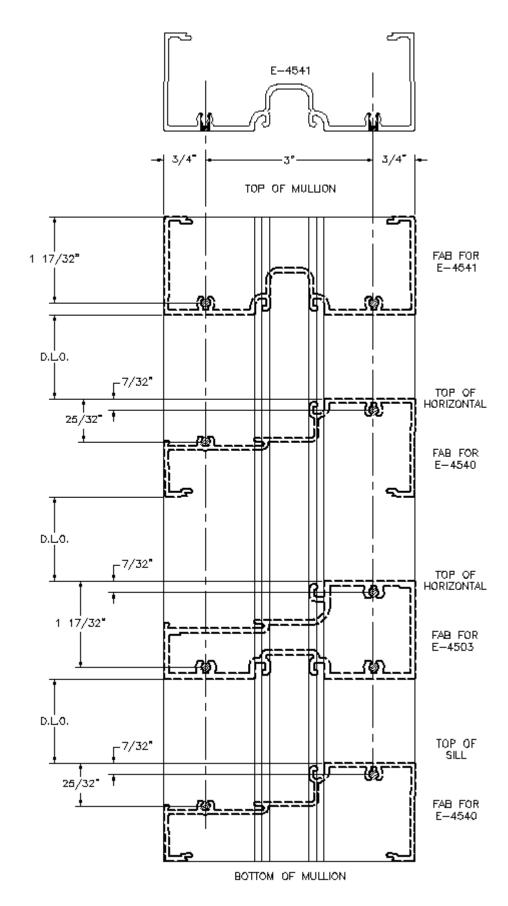
- Cut horizontal framing members to the daylight opening (the distance between verticals).
- For easier installation, cut horizontal glazing beads 1/32" shorter than the horizontal framing member.

### Step #5 (screw spline assembly): Drill holes in vertical framing members

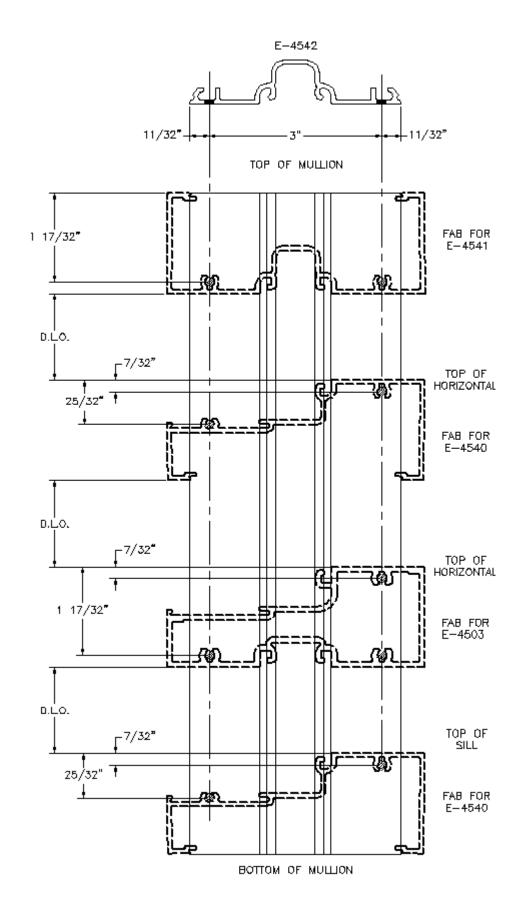
In screw-spline assembly, screws are driven through holes in the vertical members, directly into screw splines on the horizontal members. These screws are what support the horizontal members and the glass. The four drawings in this section show where to drill the holes in the vertical members so that they line up with the screw splines on the horizontals.

The screw used for the screw-spline assembly is a #10-24 x 1" HEX IND Type F screw (S449). To accommodate this type of screw, the holes in the vertical framing members must be 0.201" in diameter, corresponding to a #7 drill.

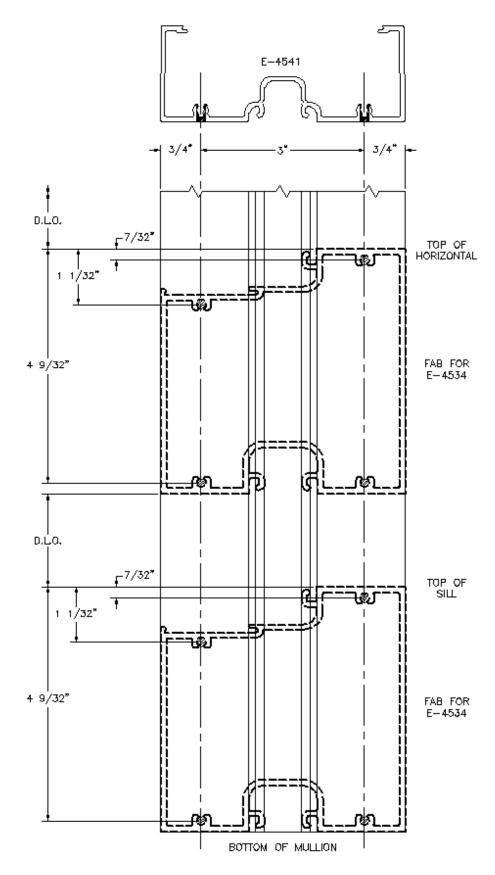
Tubelite offers a drill fixture (P796B) to help locate the correct hole locations quickly and accurately. This fixture is designed for use on both screw-spline and shear-block projects.



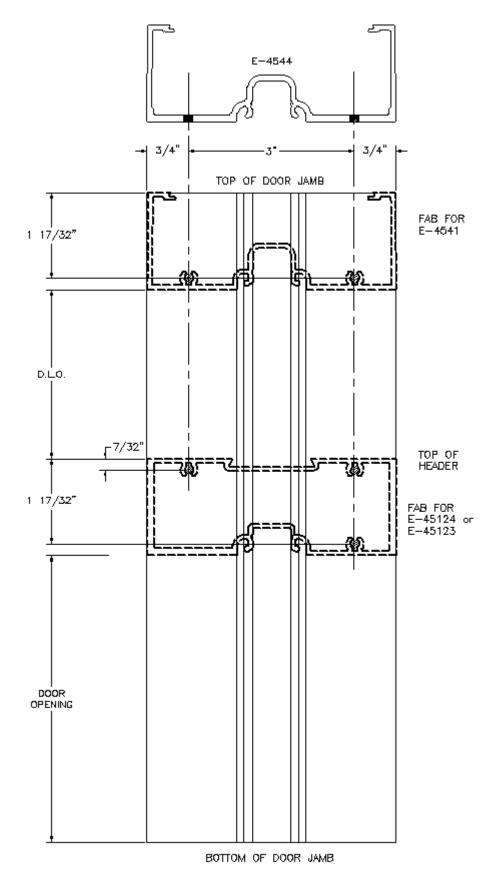
Drilling an open-back vertical (E-4541) --Screw-spline, no door or sidelight



Drilling a closure pocket (E-4542) --Screw-spline, no door or sidelight



Drilling an open-back vertical (E-4541) --Screw-spline



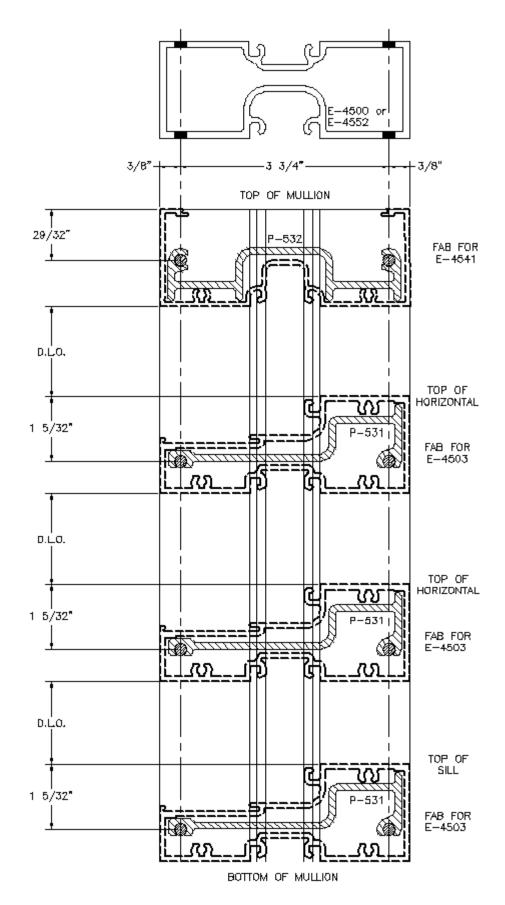
Drilling an open-back door jamb (E-4544) --Screw-spline, next to a door

### Step #5 (shear block assembly): Drill holes in vertical framing members

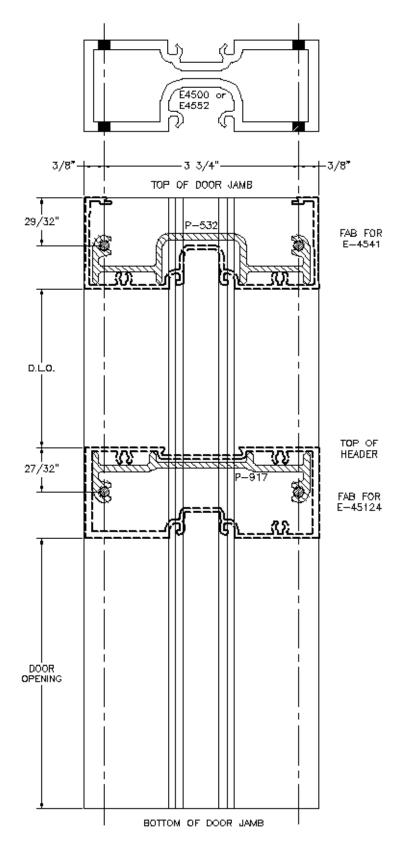
In screw-spline assembly, screws pass through holes in the vertical members, connecting them directly to the horizontal members. In shear-block assembly, the installer

- Secures frame clips (also known as shear blocks) to the vertical members with screws;
- Slides the horizontal members over the frame clips; and finally
- Secures the horizontal members to the frame clips with screws.

The screws used to secure frame clips to verticals require use of a #25 drill (.149" diameter). Tubelite recommends using a drill fixture (P796B) to facilitate quick and accurate drilling of holes in verticals for shear-block assembly projects. The following two illustrations show where to drill shear-block verticals to accommodate various types of horizontal framing members.



Drilling an intermediate vertical (E-4500) --Shear-block, no door or sidelight

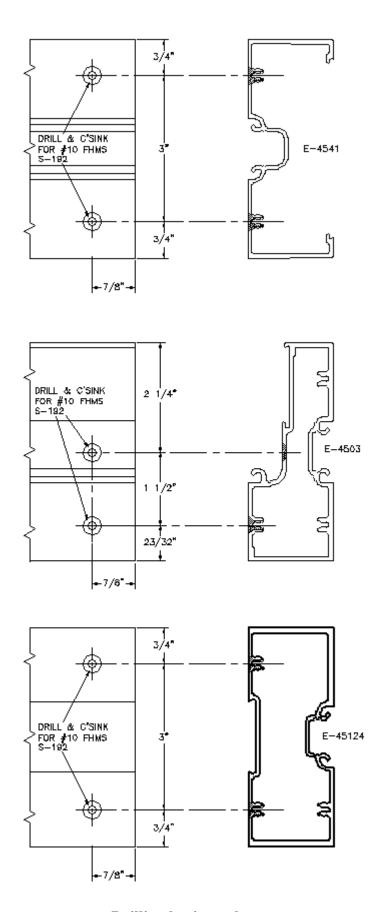


Drilling a door jamb (E-4552) -- Shear-block, next to a door

#### Step #6 (shear-block assembly): Drill holes in horizontal framing members

Screw-spline assembly does not require drilling of horizontal framing members, because screw splines are integral to the extrusions for horizontals. The shear block assembly method, on the other hand, requires drilling of horizontals, so that they can be screwed to frame clips (shear blocks).

The illustrations in this section show the locations where holes must be drilled in the various kinds of horizontals for use in shear-block assembly. The illustrations also show the required drill sizes, because the shear-block assembly method uses screws of two different diameters to secure horizontals to frame clips.



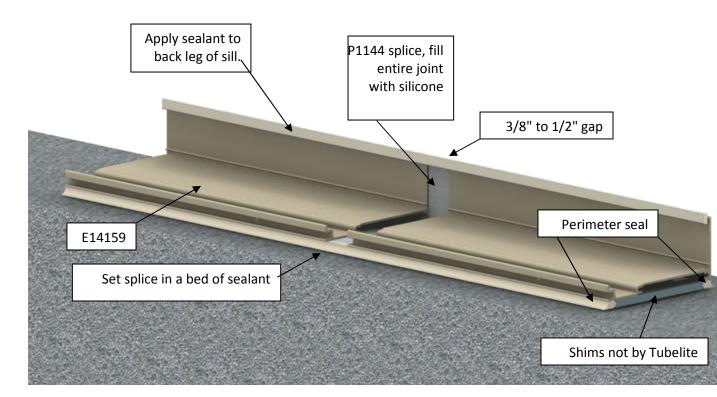
Drilling horizontals -- Shear-block, no door or sidelight

# FRAME INSTALLATION

If there is an entrance, you should install it first, taking care to locate the entrance frame accurately within the opening.

### Step #1: Splice the sub sill where required per the final distribution dwgs.

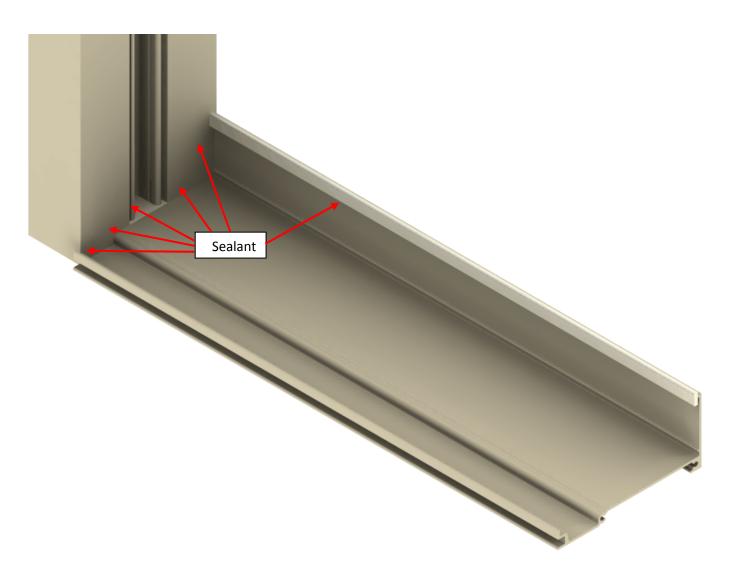
- Set splice in a bed of sealant at the predetermine splice location.
- Place the sill and anchor sill in the opening. The gap between any two pieces of flashing should be 3/8" to 1/2" wide.
- Apply silicone sealant between the two pieces of sill, spanning the splice joint.



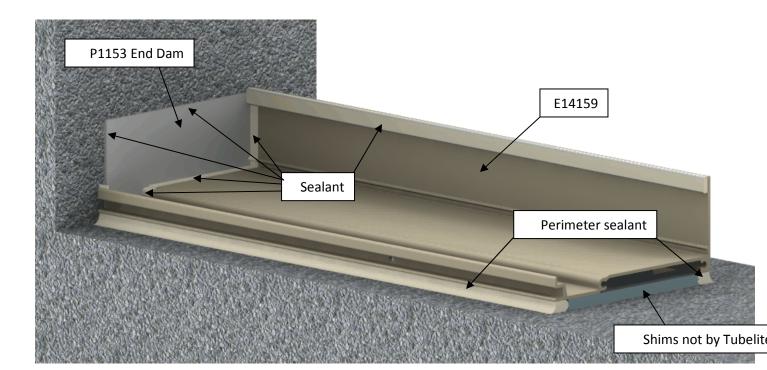
Splicing two pieces of sub sill

### Step #2: Seal and anchor the sub sill

- Apply a full bed of sealant for an end dam and press the end dam(s) into the sealant. Seal the sill to the end dam(s) as shown on page 24.
- Butt the flashing up against the back of the door jamb (if present), and seal the flashing to the back of the entrance frame. Tool sealant into glass pocket of door jamb at sill to divert any water onto the sill as shown in the illustration below.
- Drill anchor holes through the sill and into the masonry, and secure the sill with the fasteners shown in the approved shop drawings.
- Before the fastener is inserted, force sealant into the hole for the sill perimeter fastener to ensure that the hole through the sill is sealed. Cap seal the anchors with silicone sealant.



Sealing sill flashing to a door frame

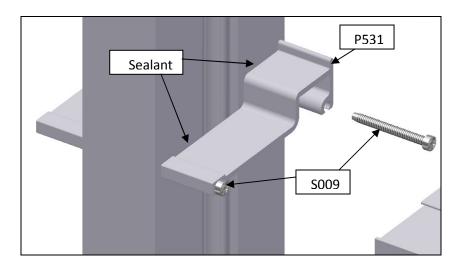


Sealing sill to an end dam at a masonry wall

• Apply a bead of sealant along the back leg of the sill from end to end, straight across any splice joint. (See splicing illustration on page 232).

## Step #3 (shear block only): Seal and secure frame clips to verticals

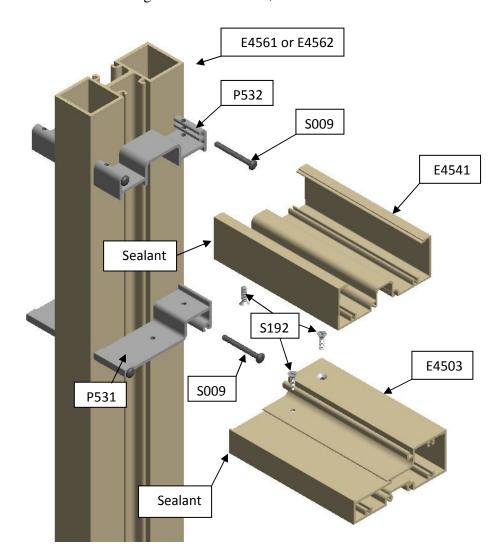
• Apply sealant to shear blocks (frame clips) as shown in the illustration below, and attached to the verticals with #10 x 1 3/4" Type B Phillips pan head screws (S-009).



Sealing and securing frame clips to verticals

### Step #4 (shear block only): Attach horizontals to frame clips

• Apply sealant to the contact edge of the horizontal, as shown in the illustration below.

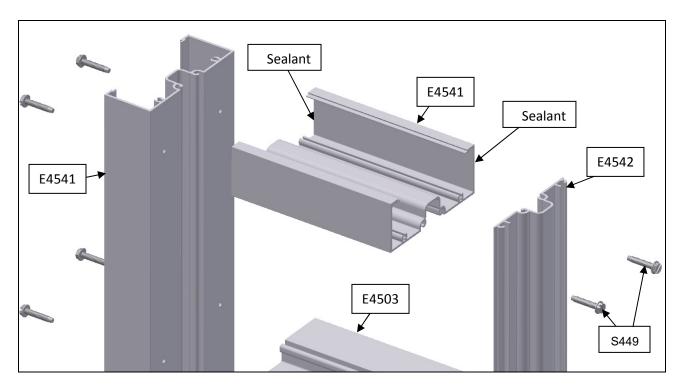


Attaching horizontals to frame clips

- Slide horizontals onto shear blocks (frame clips). Match drill tap holes in the shear blocks using holes in horizontals as guides, and secure horizontals to frame clips with #10 x 5/8" Phillips flat head screws (S-192).
- Apply sealant to the heads of the screws which secure the horizontals to the frame clips.

## Step #3 (screw spline only): Attach horizontals to verticals

• Apply sealant to the contact edges of the horizontal as shown in the illustration below and on page 27.

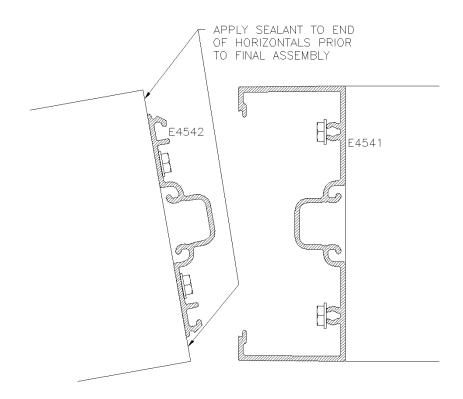


Attaching horizontals to verticals

 Secure horizontals to vertical on one side, and to closure pocket on the other side, using #10-24 x 1" Hex IND Type F screw (S-449).

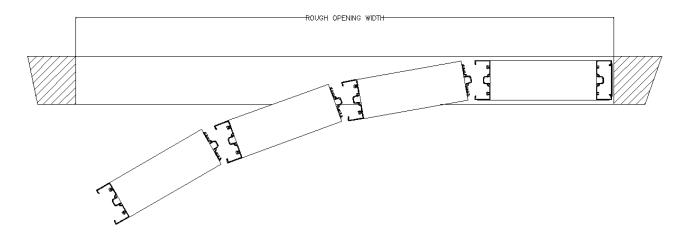
### Step #4 (screw spline only): Install assembled units

• Apply sealant to end of horizontal as shown in the illustration below.



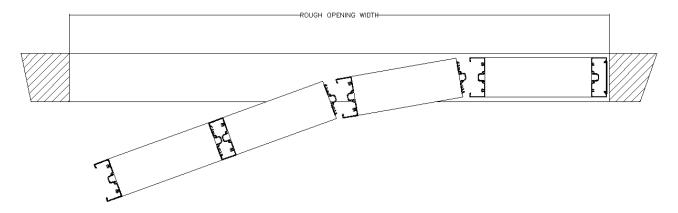
Sealing horizontal before final assembly

• Install the assembled units beginning at the entrance, and working toward the jambs. If there is no entrance, begin at one jamb and work toward the other, as in the illustration below.



**Installing assembled screw-spline units** 

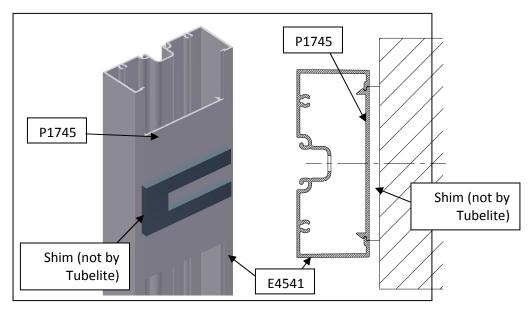
• In the case of smaller units, the last two may need to be snapped together and then pivoted into position together, as in the illustration on page 28.



Installing last two units together

### Step #5: Attach frame to masonry

- For shear-block assembly, set the assembled unit into the opening. (For screw-spline assembly, this was done in pieces in Step #4 above.)
- Install shims at head and jambs, as shown in the illustration below. Use a P1745 to provide back-up support for shimming.

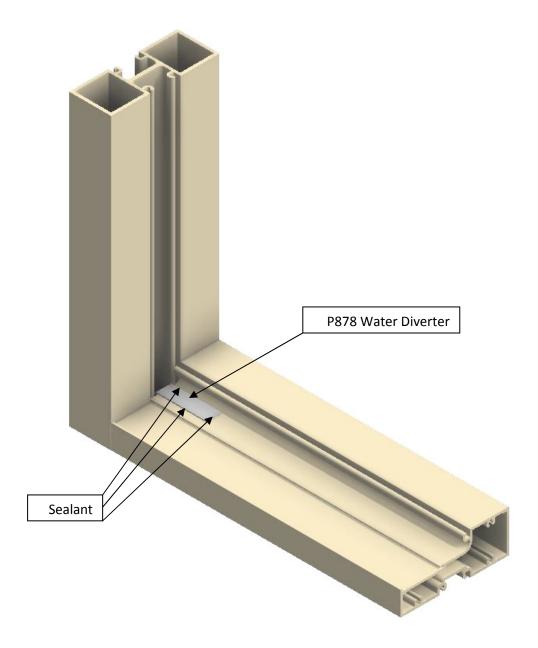


Shimming and anchoring the head and jambs

• Attach the jambs and head to the perimeter of the opening with suitable fasteners.

### Step #6: Install P878 water diverters

• Use MEK and a clean cloth to clean the surfaces of the horizontals where you will install water diverters. (See illustrations below.) Also clean the vertical reglets on both sides to at least 1" above the gasket reglets on the horizontal member.



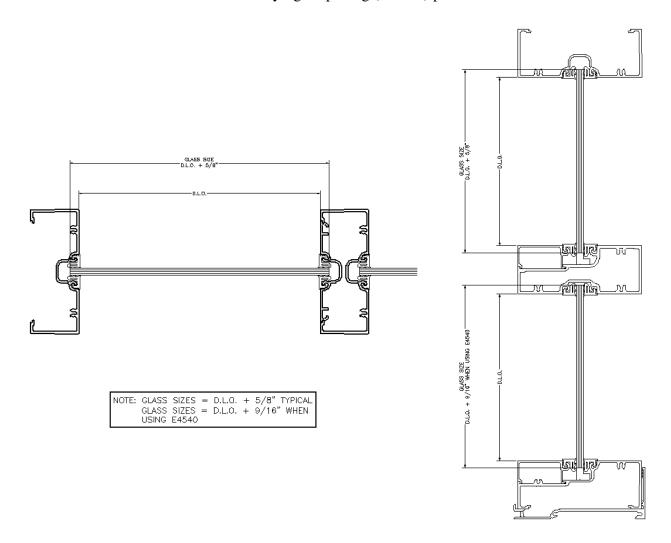
Water diverter -- 3D view

- When the surfaces are dry, peel the paper backing off the water diverter and attach the diverter to the horizontal in the glazing pocket.
- Pump sealant into both vertical gasket reglets, and seal the edges of the diverter on all sides **EXCEPT** at the drip bend. You must avoid getting sealant in this area in order to allow the system to drain.
- Seal the joint between the vertical and horizontal members from the diverter to the top of the horizontal
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gasket reglet.

# **GLAZING INSTALLATION**

Glass dimensions should not exceed day light opening (D.L.O.) plus 5/8". See illustration below.



#### Nominal glass dimensions

This formula does not take into account out-of-square openings or glass tolerances. Consult your glass manufacturer before determining final glass sizes.

When cutting gaskets, you should add 1/16" to 1/8" per foot of daylight opening for shrinkage. (An eighth of an inch per foot is approximately 1%.) Open, unsealed gasket joints are a potential source of leakage, and water damage to interior finishes.

Install gaskets on the side of frame opposite glass stop first. Always begin at the ends of the gasket and work toward the center. DO NOT STRETCH THE GASKET OR IT WILL RETURN TO ITS ORGINAL FORM, CREATING GAPS AT THE GASKET INTERSECTIONS.

### Step #1: Cut and install the interior gaskets

- Cut interior vertical gaskets to D.L.O. + 1" + shrinkage allowance (see above).
- Install the interior vertical gaskets, beginning 1/2" beyond the surfaces of the adjacent horizontal framing members.

- Apply butyl sealant to the vertical gaskets reglet for 1" from the intersection.
- Cut the interior horizontal gaskets to D.L.O. + shrinkage allowance (see page 30).
- Install the interior horizontal gaskets, pressing their ends into the butyl sealant and up against the vertical gaskets.

#### Step #2: Install the glass

- Position setting blocks (P575) at points under glass at each quarter point (2 setting blocks per light) or as required.
- Position the glass in the frame.
- Lower the glass onto the setting blocks.

#### Step #3: Cut and install the exterior gaskets

- Cut the exterior vertical gaskets to D.L.O. + 1" + shrinkage allowance (see page 30).
- Install the exterior vertical gaskets. The vertical gasket should start 1/2" above the surface of the upper horizontal, and should extend 1/2" below the surface of the lower horizontal.
- Apply butyl sealant to the vertical gaskets reglet for 1" from the intersection.
- Cut the exterior horizontal gaskets to D.L.O. + shrinkage allowance (see page 30).
- Install the exterior horizontal gaskets, pressing their ends into the butyl sealant and up against the vertical gaskets.

#### Step #4: Seal perimeter of installation

- Insert backer rod into the gap between the frame and the building substrate on top, sides, and bottom of the installation.
- Apply sealant to fill the void.
- Tool the sealant smooth.

