

Town Belmont Historic District Commission

Homer Municipal Building, 2nd Floor 19 Moore Street Belmont, MA 02478

OFFICE USE	
Case Number: HDC -	

In accordance with the Historic Districts Act, M §40-315, the undersigned applies to the Beln	LICATION IGL Ch 40C, and the Town of Belmont General Bylaws, nont Historic District Commission for a Certificate of: Applicability Hardship
L. PRELIMINARY INFORMATION:	c +
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Property Owner's Name: FABIEN DUC	013
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Property is a Condominium or Cooperative Associati	on (submit authorization to sign as trustee)
f applicable: Architect:	Contractor: Alex Cruz
2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WORK:	*
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B. SIGNATURES:	V
As Owner, I make the following representations:	F2 1 1 1
A. I hereby certify that I am the Owner of the Pro	perty at: S 19 (leg Sam Y S)
	Application, this Agent has been authorized to represent this
Application before the Belmont Historic District	
Owner: FASIEN DUGGIS	Date: 0

1. The information supplied on and in this Application is accurate to the best of my knowledge;

2. I will make no changes to the approved plans without prior approval from the Belmont Historic District

* Incomplete applications and Insufficient documentation will not be accepted. *

As Applicant/Agent, I make the following representations:

Commission.

Applicant/Agent: ___

Date: _____

Owner Fabien & Marie-Alix Dubois 529 Pleasant street 857 260 8232. Fabien.dubois3@aliceadsl.fr

Contractor: Alex Cruz. AFC painting, afcpaintingcorp@gmail.com 617.697.1561

We are a French family of 4 with 2 kids aged 8 and 10.

When we first came in the Boston area, transferred from Zurich back in Spring 2015, we had rented a Victorian single-family house in Cambridge in the Brattle street area. We loved the style of the house so much than when we saw a possibility to extend our time here in Massachussetts, we were looking for a similar type of house to buy in the area

We ended up acquiring the James Monroe Hale house in 529 pleasant St. in Belmont in Nov 2017 and are enjoying it every minute of minute ever since (both the house and the town)

The house was previously owned by Justin and Ann Roe since 2002 who are still living in Belmont, in Prospect St.

When we acquired the house, the inspection report had pointed out that the deck was in bad shape and needed to be replaced.

We first focused our attention and our money towards interior renovation.

Only in 2020, we have decided to go for changing the deck as it was presenting too much danger for our kids and visiting friends and have contracted with Alex Cruz, somebody we trust very much as he had already worked on the interior project, granted this was his first full deck project in Belmont.

Since we had secured Alex for that project, we have also used the opportunity to do some upgrades in the exterior, especially around landscaping. We have also used the services of John's Landscape company to upgrades and renew plantings in our yards

The 2020 exterior project would then consist of the following

- 1. Side porch upgrade by replacing the fountain (not working anymore) with extending the wood floor of the side entrance and replacing grey rocks
- 2. Replacing rusted wood steps leading to front porch (front of the house) as too dangerous on top of not looking great
- 3. Continuing wood fence line to protect us from Pleasant street and create a natural fence (with shrubs and plants in front of it)
- 4. Replacing "wood door" in the path leading to back of the house and "closing" the area to have children safely play in the back of the house and build a "natural fence" (shrubs and plants) in front and behind it, to create an atmosphere of "secret garden", a place where we spend a lot of our time outside as protected from the noise of busy pleasant street and with enough of a closed area for the kids to play ball safely (as not possible in the front yard)
- 5. Deck replacement (back of the house)

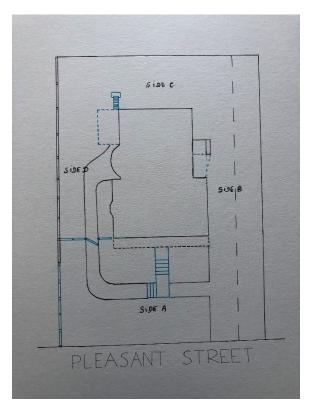
We obviously knew we are living in an historical area but had sincerely no idea around the HDC process, especially since our project was not adding any new building to the house and was instead replacing existing structure in a bad shape, especially the deck in the back.

Since we had to rebuild it, our intent was to make that deck the same size but much nicer and closer to the style of the house and use the opportunity to have a dry shed below the deck to be able to store yard materials to access them more easily (land mower, garden tools, snow blower...).

We are unfortunately coming in front of the HDC commission, after most of the work has been completed, especially for the deck and the fence.

Kevin Pickering from the Belmont inspection department has confirmed that we did not need a plot plan (he came on site and has seen the pictures before and after) as the deck was rebuilt with same dimensions as the old one. We are therefore not commissioned a plot plan/site plan drawing for the HDC review.

See below an overview of the 5 sub-projects presented in the project



"Aerial" view of the house situating the 5 submitted projects (in blue ink)

Side B: Side porch,, next to side entrance

Side A:

- Front porch. Rotten wood steps replacement
- Continuing fence line towards pleasant st
- Replace path door with fence/fence door

Side C/D: replace back yard deck

And corresponding photos of the house:

Side A (where the steps are, project 2)





Side B: (project 1)





Side C: back of the house



We can see here the back-yard deck (project 5)

Side D where the back-yard deck is (project 5)







Project 1 Side porch floor: wood vs stone

Here is how it is today

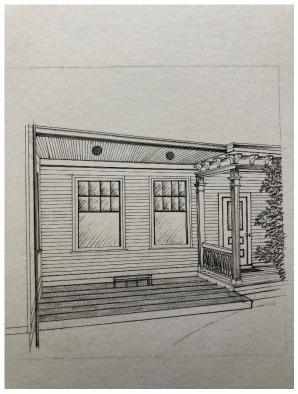


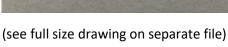
The project is to fill what used to be the fountain water retention with stones (to give the possibility to be re-used again should the next owner desire to plug the fountain back) and to continue the porch floor (same height as first step, same color, same wood) see red line. We are not planning on doing anything else, i.e. not removing the railing. We may add 2 recess lights on the ceiling in the future knowing we will need an electrical permit for it.

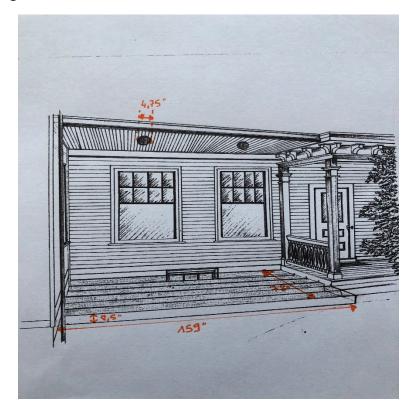
We will keep the fountain and install it as decorative item in the back yard

The old fountain hole will be filled with crushed stones

Here is how it would look like tomorrow with recess lights







Material to be used for the side porch floor:

PRESSURE TREATED WOOD USED AT: DECK FRAMIMNG, DECK FLOOR BOARDS

DECK SIDDING CEDAR WOOD SIDDING-

DECK TRIMS Primed pine wood

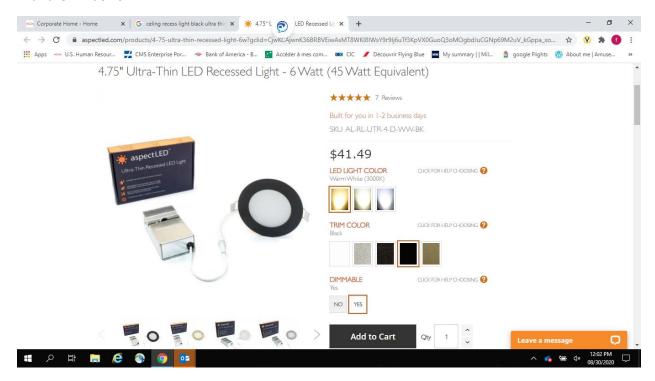
(see full description on separate file)

Color Paint: Color match as existing for FLOORS, SIDING, TRIMS AND

Colors: Floor grey: same color as porch entrance using color matching methodology

Front side board, white same color as existing porch i.e. Lancaster whitewash HC174,

<u>Future Recess lights</u> (if electrical permit is granted): Black LED dimmable ultra-thin recess lights 4,75 "to be centered with the windows



Project 2: Front porch: replace rotten wood steps

Here is how it was before

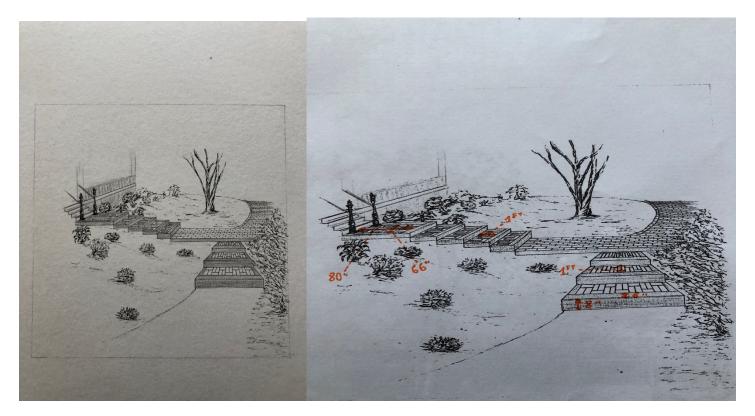


We have removed the rotten wood to replace them the exact same way, using same type of wood and existing bricks. We had to stop the work as we understood this had to be approved by HDC as well as visible from the street

Here is how it looks like today, waiting to do the work. We are seeing most of the bricks now falling as the place became unstable. We were anxious to do the work as one of our kids' friend recently fell down in that space.



Here is how it will look like in the future (exact same way as it was before)



(see full size drawing on separate file)

Material to be used:

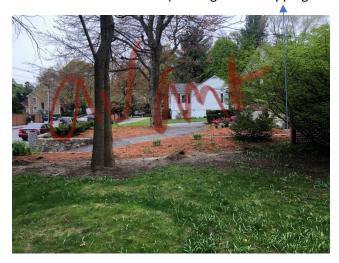
Pressure-Treated Pine Lumber 8" X 6" (see below). (see full description on separate file)



- Brick: re-use of all existing bricks (all preserved)
- Sand: (below bricks)

Project 3: Continuing fence line towards pleasant street

Here is how it was before (existing fence stopping there). Open visibility to the street



Here is how it looks now (and will later be hidden by growing plants (just been planted). Exact same design as the existing one, including post caps . height below 7 feet as per Belmont town guidelines





(see full size drawing on separate file)

From the other side (i.e. neighbor side) where we can see we have used exact same design and dimensions as existing fence



"Continuing the line"

Growing plants from the neighbor side as well, so in the future these fences should not be "visible from either side as hidden by plants,

Material to be used:

Fence post: Pressure-Treated Pine Lumber

Fence Lattice: CEDAR WOOD

(see full description on separate file)

Project 3: Replace path "door" and close the area with wood fence (same design as existing fence)

How it was when we bought the house (view from the back yard). With a rustic door and rustic poles



How it looked like when we took the "door" out (view from front yard)



How it looks like now (from the back-yard side). Pole caps to be added



(see full size drawing on separate file)

Existing fence

How it looks like now (from the pleasant street side) Pole caps to be added



Zoom on plants in front the fence (pleasant st side). We hope to grow a lot of green vegetation which will eventually hide the fence both from pleasant street, especially since this "bed" will be hidden by the 2 maximum rhododendrons



Material to be used: same as project 3:

Fence post: Pressure-Treated Pine Lumber

Fence Lattice: CEDAR WOOD

(see full description on separate file)

Project 5: replace Back yard deck

How it was when we bought the house. (picture from August 2019). Size 13-foot X 13 foot



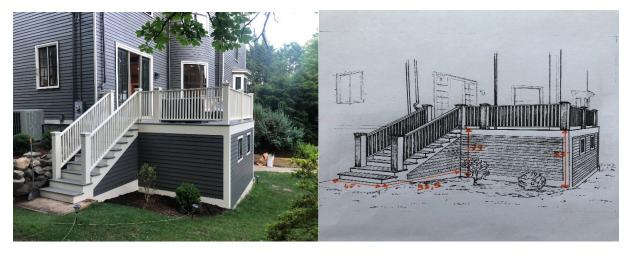


How it looks like now:

Same surface on the ground (13 footX13 foot), same height from the ground up, same top half design for poles and railings as we have even re-used the pole caps from the previous deck

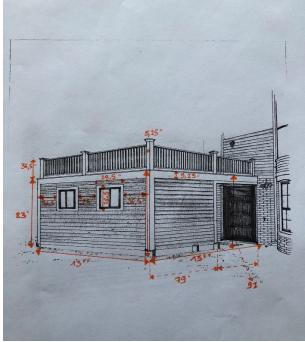
Everything was built according to the Belmont deck construction code.

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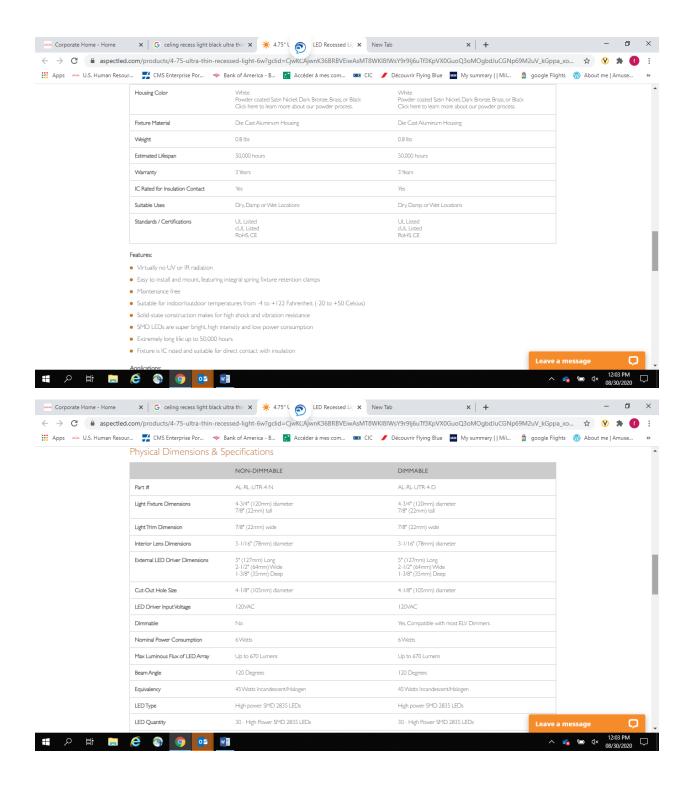




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Material:

PRESSURE TREATED PINE LUMBER USED AT: DECK FRAMIMNG, DECK FLOOR BOARDS



DECK SIDDING: CEDAR WOOD

DECK GUARDRAIL: DOUGLAS FIR LUMBER

DECK TRIMS; Primed pine wood

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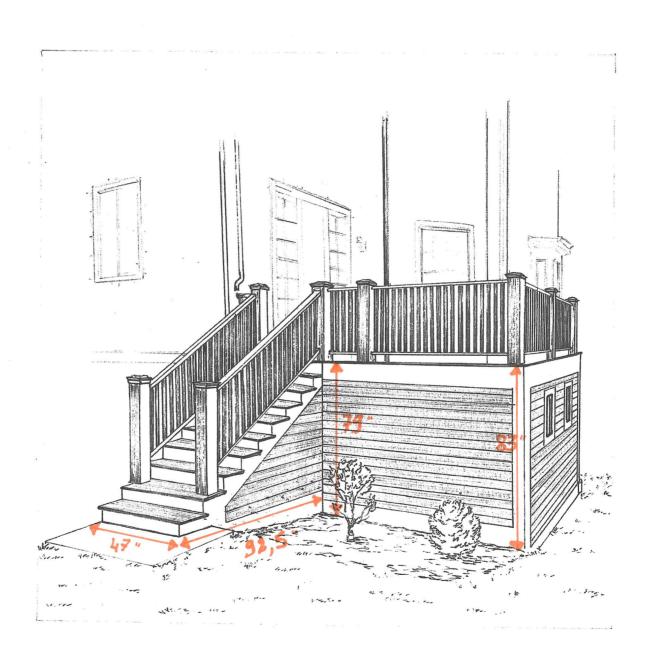
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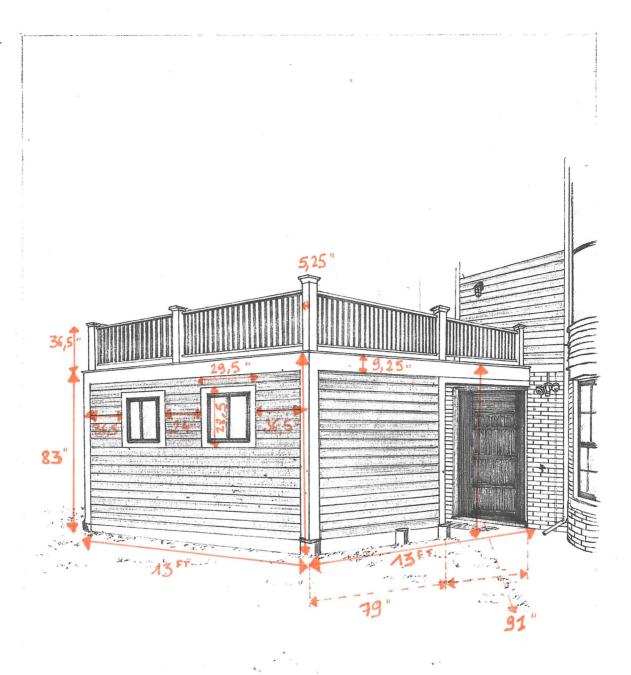


Product Overview:

The JELD-WEN W-2500 wood window combines the beauty of wood with affordability and features narrow stiles and rails with a large glass viewing area to bring more of the outdoors into your home. Awning wood windows look intriguing when grouped with other windows and complement an array of architectural styles. Hinged at the top, they open out from the bottom in an upward swing and provide maximum ventilation for your home.

- Crafted to deliver excellent energy efficiency and designed with a selection of options to create windows you'll love
- Low-E EC glass includes an extra coating of protection to improve thermal performance for greater energy efficiency
- Made with auralast wood that is guaranteed not to rot for as long as you own and occupy your home
- Lifetime limited warranty coverage for wood decay and termite damage





- BetterVue screen included and features a durable, fine, black fiberglass mesh that is less intrusive to your view
- Grids are factory sealed between panes of glass, making it easier to clean the window glass
- 2-toned grids match each different color on the exterior and interior of window
- Natural pine wood interior adds warmth and beauty to any home
- Low maintenance exterior aluminum cladding has a baked-on color finish

Specifications

Dimensions

Grid Width (in.7/8 Jamb Depth (in.)4.5625

Product Depth (in.) 5.8125 Product Height (in.)24

Product Width (in.) 24 Rough Opening Height (In.)24.75

Rough Opening Width (In.) 24.75 Width (in.) x Height (in.) 24 x 24

Details

Exterior Color/Finish black Exterior Color/Finish Family black

Features

Argon Gas Insulated, Integrated Nail Fin

Frame Material Wood Clad

Frame Type Nail Fin

Glass Type Low-E Glass

Glazing Type Double-Pane

Grid Pattern Colonial

Grille Type Grille Between Glass

Hardware Color/Finish Family Bronze

Included

Grid, Hardware, Screen

Interior Color/Finish Family

Unfinished Wood

Lock Type

Multi-Point Single Actuator

Number of Grids2 Wide 3 High

Number of Locks 2

PAINT Colors:

same colors of the house (previous owner had given us the exact color references):

White: Lancaster whitewash HC174,

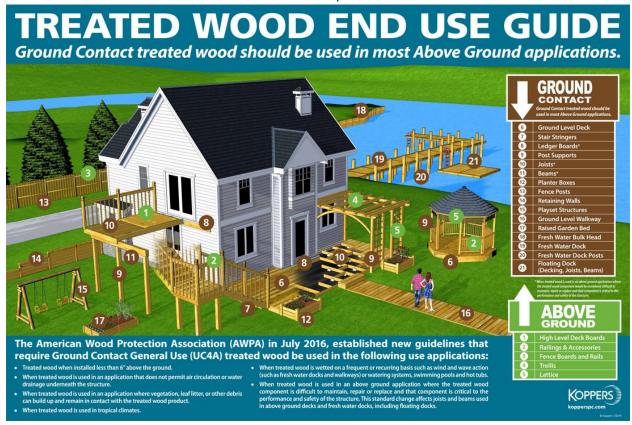
grey BM HC166 Kendall charcoal

black windows: onyx2133-10.

Deck floor and steps: grey, same as Porch entrance and future side deck (see project 1)

529 PLEASANT ST DECK

PRESSURE TREATED WOOD USED AT: DECK FRAMIMNG, DECK FLOOR BOARDS



Pressure-Treated Pine Lumber is treated for protection against termites and rot. Ideal for a variety of ground contact applications including decks, playsets, landscaping, stair support and walkways and other outdoor projects where lumber is exposed to the elements. This lumber can also be painted or stained. When used properly it is both safe and environmentally friendly. Treated wood is typically still wet when it's delivered to The Home Depot or job site. As it dries, you should expect slight changes in width and length. As lumber dries, it may split, cup and warp. This is more likely to occur to occur in lower-grade boards, where knots and uneven grains are already present. Each piece of lumber is unique and carries physical characteristics that may include the following: knots, warping, shrinkage, swelling and/or splitting.

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- Color, grain pattern and texture will vary as well.
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DECK SIDDING

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WESTERN RED CEDAR SIDING

Six-inch clear bevel siding with a natural finish.

Siding Patterns Bevel, pattern and board-and-batten are among the most popular sidings and there are many variations within these styles to provide a variety of designer effects to suit a wide range of tastes. Although every effort has been made in this publication to show representative grades, the actual appearance may vary between manufacturers. Choosing a siding is largely a matter of personal preference, architectural appearance and environmental harmony. The size, height and design of a home, its setting, the changing designs of light and shade during the course of a day, will all influence the final choice.

Specifying Cedar Siding To make sure you get quality Western Red Cedar siding, always specify cedar siding manufactured by members of the Western Red Cedar Lumber Association. Appropriate sample specifications are given in each section of this publication.

Western Red Cedar bevel siding is the most widely used cedar siding type. It is produced by resawing lumber at an angle to produce two pieces thicker on one edge than the other. The manufacturing process results in pieces with one face saw textured. The other face is smooth or saw textured depending on the grade and customer preference. Bevel siding is installed horizontally and gives an attractive shadow line which varies with the thickness of siding selected. Bevel siding is available in clear and knotty grades. Clear siding gives premium quality appearance and is ideal for prestigious, upmarket applications. Knotty siding has warmth and casual charm and is ideal for homes, cottages, club-houses and applications where a rustic appearance is desired. WRCLA members also produce finger-joined bevel siding in clear and knotty grades. The precision-fitted joins are virtually invisible and stronger than the surrounding fiber. Finger-joined bevel siding is available in lengths up to 16 feet and provides the

handsome appearance and all-weather performance of premium cedar siding. Builders appreciate both the convenient long length tally and the speed and ease of installation with fewer field joins.

DECK GUARDRAIL

DOUGLAS FIR LUMBER



Douglas Fir is one of the premium quality wood species found today. It is native to the western portion of North America. This wood species is widely used for timber across the globe.

This tree grows quickly and reaches a formidable height while also possessing bark that is highly resistant to several diseases, pests, and wildfire. It is most dominant in the forests of the Pacific Northwest. Douglas Fir trees have a lifespan of 500-1000 years and are one of the tallest species of tree in the world.

There are various types of lumber that are currently used for fencing, furniture, woodwork, decking, garden box, etc. Most of these lumber types consist of high-quality wood that can offer immense strength and durability to your projects. Let's have a sneak peek into the Douglas Fir, its origins, applications, characteristics, and benefits.

Origins of Lumber

Douglas Fir, in fact, is a special wood species found mostly in Pacific Northwest. It is widely known as a fir but resembles a pine tree. It is the most popular and commonly found wood species of softwood available in North America.

Strength and Application

Commonly, Douglas Fir is a species of softwood, but it is also considered to be one of the widely-used types of lumber, especially in fencing, home construction and decking in the United States. It is also popular due to its perfect proportion of weight and strength. Known for its dimensional strength, it resists natural elements such as strong wind, storms, and earthquakes. It is also known as the toughest Western softwood and is very easy to mold. Overall, this lumber type is the most popular and ideal lumber for residential, commercial and other construction projects.

Paint and Polishing

Douglas Fir always has big and straight grains. It is also equipped with consistent and even texture, making the painting and finishing work easier and faster. With age and consistent exposure to light, this Lumber type slowly becomes darker in color and turns deep red. This highly desirable characteristic of Douglas Fir renders it unique and ideal for many construction types like outdoor wooden structures, deck, fence, garden box, etc.

Weather Resistance

It's a fact that all types of wood shrink and expand to a certain extent when exposed to severe weather conditions. Because of the cellular structure of the wood, the shrinking and swelling is evidenced in its width and thickness, as opposed to the length of the lumber. The length of the wood remains intact.

Fir is a type of species among softwoods that stays dimensionally stable without requiring any drying or another remedy. In a way, this highly valuable atmospheric moisture management property makes this lumber waterproof, although it is capable of holding water.

To make your surface waterproof, do not forget to coat it, as this will allow it to repel moisture. It can also be painted or stained, similar to other lumber. You can use tar or wax to coat and preserve a structure built with Douglas Fir. If you have constructed any home-based structure, a coat of primer oil combined with a double coat of latex paint or double coats of exterior-grade

stain will enable protection from the elements. These are the best coating processes for keeping your furniture's surface waterproof and strong.

If you plan to create some wood-based structures for your home, it's best to opt for **Douglas Fir** wood in order to build a strong and long-lasting frame. Douglas Fir is the strongest and thus most durable softwood you can rely upon. Hopefully, above details will prove useful to you for implementing this type of lumber into your project successfully.

DECK TRIMS

Primed pine wood

Clear Finger Joint Primed Pine is a perfect product for many uses, especially for painting. Uses include fascia, corner boards, trim base molding, furniture parts, shelving, and cabinets. There are no knots to bleed through your final top coat of paint, making it a great product for painting. Clear Finger Joint Primed Pine can be used for interior and exterior uses. It also has better stability than many fake wood products. Also, if you later decide to change the color, it repaints better than most fake wood products.

- Manufactured from eastern white pine, a renewable resource, for an environmentally friendly choice
- Very easy to paint
- Primed for you convenience
- For interior or exterior use

Paint: Color match as existing for FLOORS, SIDING, TRIMS AND RAILINGS



Duration Exterior Acrylic Latex

Duration Premium Exterior Coating is formulated with PermaLast® technology and infused with advanced acrylic co-polymers for long-lasting performance. Duration is self-priming and provides a mildew-resistance coating. It requires just one coat for repaints and two coats for new work so exterior jobs get done fast.

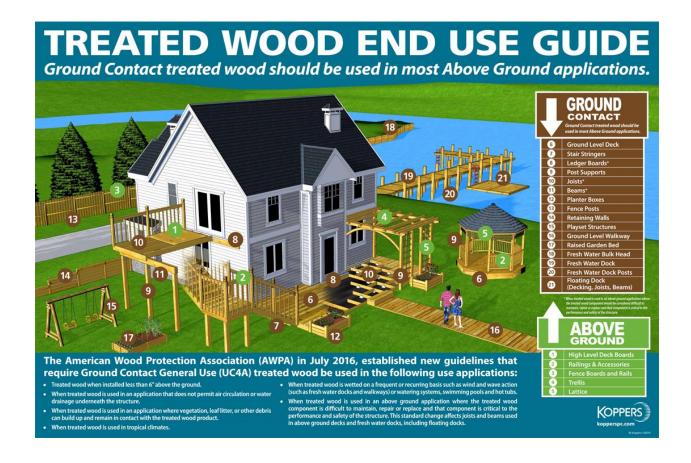
Product Details

- Formulated with PermaLast™ Technology for more durability and a thicker coat.
- Excellent protection from cracking, peeling and blistering.
- Meets the most stringent VOC regulations.
- Self-priming
- Low temperature application down to 35°F.
- Sherwin-Williams VinylSafe® paint colors allow you the freedom to choose from 100 color options, including a limited selection of darker colors formulated to resist warping or buckling when applied to sound, stable vinyl siding.
- Available in flat, satin and gloss sheens.

Backed by a lifetime limited warranty

529 PLEASANT ST Fence

Fence posts



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Fence Lattice

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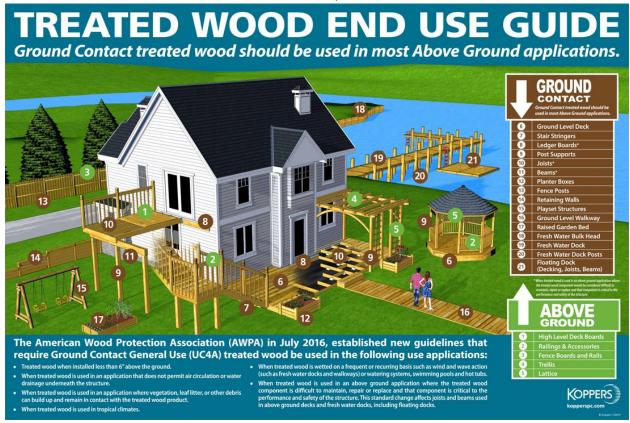
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WESTERN RED CEDAR SIDING

Six-inch clear bevel siding with a natural finish.

Siding Patterns Bevel, pattern and board-and-batten are among the most popular sidings and there are many variations within these styles to provide a variety of designer effects to suit a wide range of tastes. Although every effort has been made in this publication to show representative grades, the actual appearance may vary between manufacturers. Choosing a siding is largely a matter of personal preference, architectural appearance and environmental harmony. The size, height and design of a home, its setting, the changing designs of light and shade during the course of a day, will all influence the final choice.

Specifying Cedar Siding To make sure you get quality Western Red Cedar siding, always specify cedar siding manufactured by members of the Western Red Cedar Lumber Association. Appropriate sample specifications are given in each section of this publication.

Western Red Cedar bevel siding is the most widely used cedar siding type. It is produced by resawing lumber at an angle to produce two pieces thicker on one edge than the other. The manufacturing process results in pieces with one face saw textured. The other face is smooth or saw textured depending on the grade and customer preference. Bevel siding is installed horizontally and gives an attractive shadow line which varies with the thickness of siding selected. Bevel siding is available in clear and knotty grades. Clear siding gives premium quality appearance and is ideal for prestigious, upmarket applications. Knotty siding has warmth and casual charm and is ideal for homes, cottages, club-houses and applications where a rustic appearance is desired. WRCLA members also produce finger-joined bevel siding in clear and knotty grades. The precision-fitted joins are virtually invisible and stronger than the surrounding fiber. Finger-joined bevel siding is available in lengths up to 16 feet and provides the

handsome appearance and all-weather performance of premium cedar siding. Builders appreciate both the convenient long length tally and the speed and ease of installation with fewer field joins.

DECK TRIMS

Primed pine wood

Clear Finger Joint Primed Pine is a perfect product for many uses, especially for painting. Uses include fascia, corner boards, trim base molding, furniture parts, shelving, and cabinets. There are no knots to bleed through your final top coat of paint, making it a great product for painting. Clear Finger Joint Primed Pine can be used for interior and exterior uses. It also has better stability than many fake wood products. Also, if you later decide to change the color, it repaints better than most fake wood products.

- Manufactured from eastern white pine, a renewable resource, for an environmentally friendly choice
- Very easy to paint
- Primed for you convenience
- For interior or exterior use

Paint: Color match as existing for FLOORS, SIDING, TRIMS AND RAILINGS



Duration Exterior Acrylic Latex

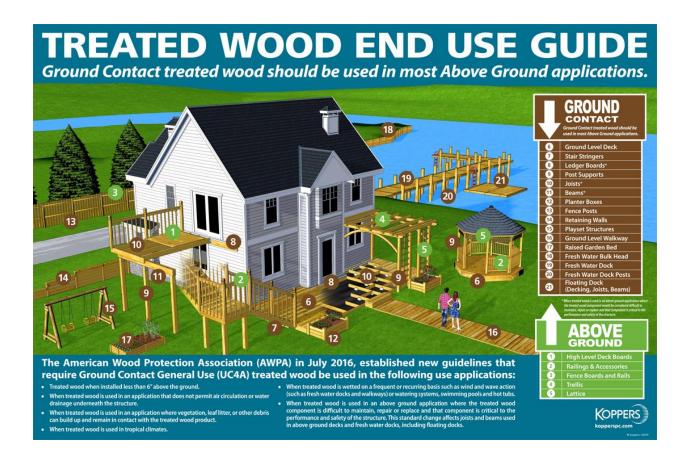
Duration Premium Exterior Coating is formulated with PermaLast® technology and infused with advanced acrylic co-polymers for long-lasting performance. Duration is self-priming and provides a mildew-resistance coating. It requires just one coat for repaints and two coats for new work so exterior jobs get done fast.

Product Details

- Formulated with PermaLast[™] Technology for more durability and a thicker coat.
- Excellent protection from cracking, peeling and blistering.
- Meets the most stringent VOC regulations.
- Self-priming
- Low temperature application down to 35°F.
- Sherwin-Williams VinylSafe® paint colors allow you the freedom to choose from 100 color options, including a limited selection of darker colors formulated to resist warping or buckling when applied to sound, stable vinyl siding.
- Available in flat, satin and gloss sheens.

Backed by a lifetime limited warranty

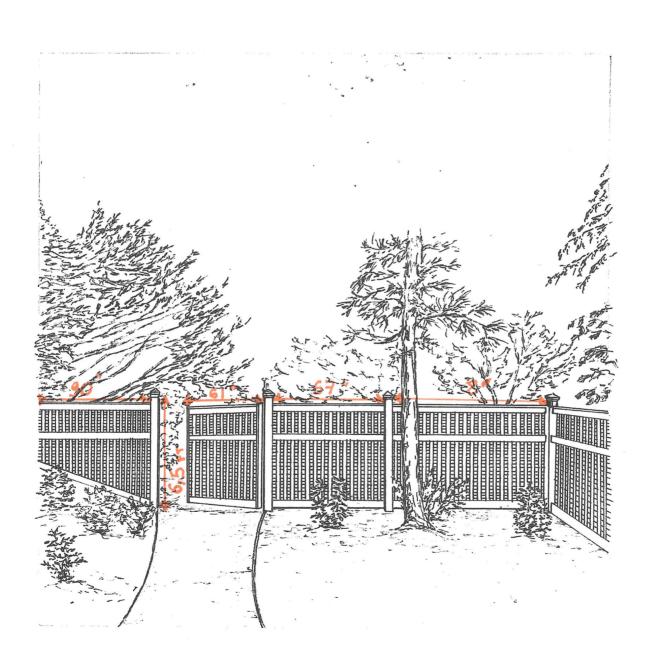
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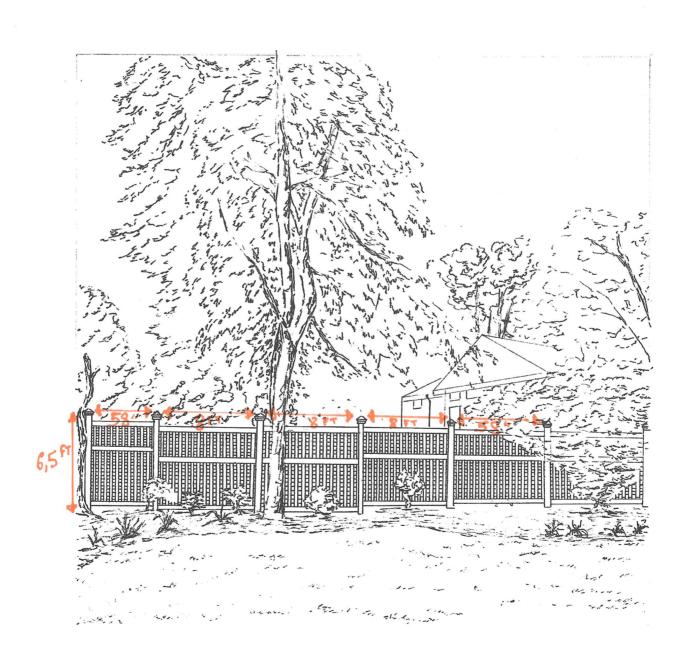


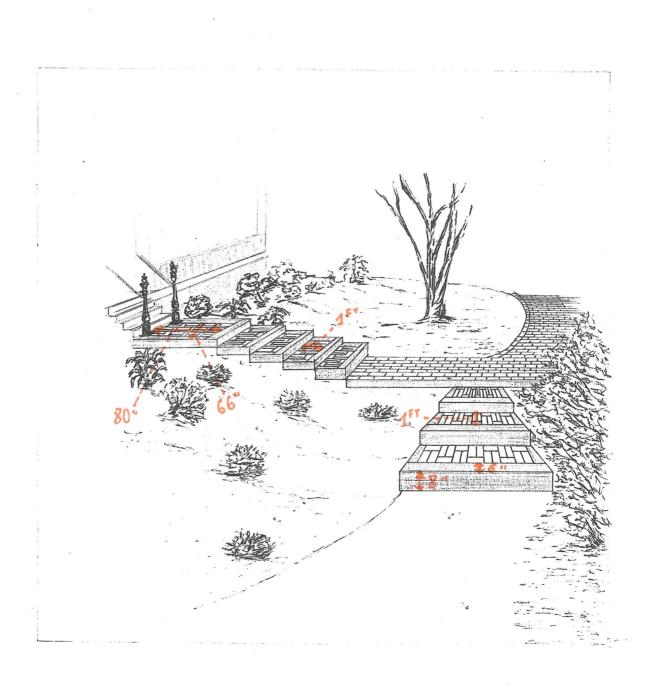
Pressure-Treated Pine Lumber is treated for protection against termites and rot. Ideal for a variety of ground contact applications including decks, playsets, landscaping, stair support and walkways and other outdoor projects where lumber is exposed to the elements. This lumber can also be painted or stained. When used properly it is both safe and environmentally friendly. Treated wood is typically still wet when it's delivered to The Home Depot or job site. As it dries, you should expect slight changes in width and length. As lumber dries, it may split, cup and warp. This is more likely to occur to occur in lower-grade boards, where knots and uneven grains are already present. Each piece of lumber is unique and carries physical characteristics that may include the following: knots, warping, shrinkage, swelling and/or splitting.

- Made of southern yellow pine
- Pressure-treated for ground contact and exterior general use
- Backed by a lifetime limited warranty against termite infestation and rot
- 2 in. x 10 in. x 16 ft.
- Uniform thickness, density and appearance for stable and long lasting performance
- No two pieces of lumber are the same.
- Color, grain pattern and texture will vary as well.
- Prime grade lumber is the perfect choice if appearance is the main concern with your lumber project
- Prime grade lumber has fewer knots and an overall better appearance
- Prime grade lumber can be used for deck boards, fence panels

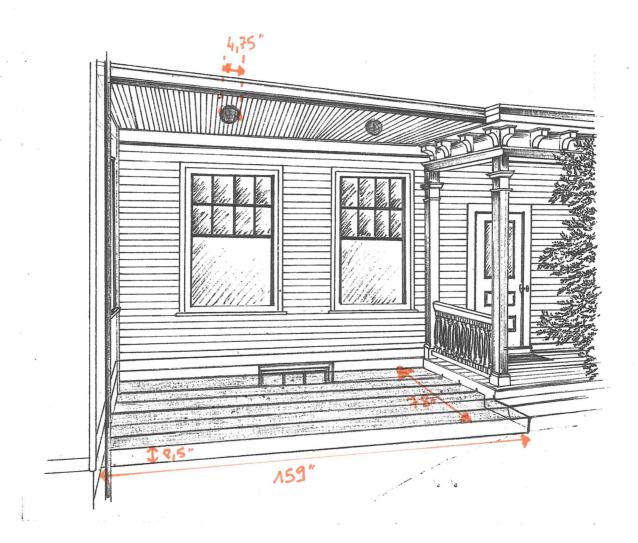
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