

# **CASCADIA CLIP®** INSTALLATION OVERVIEW - VERTICAL APPLICATION (Z-GIRT)

#### **PRODUCT OVERVIEW**

Applicable for use in steel frame, concrete and wood construction buildings, the Cascadia Clip<sup>®</sup>'s innovative fiberglass design reduces thermal bridging between traditional steel cladding supports and the back-up wall.

Fully adjustable and compatible with z-girt and hat channels, the Cascadia Clip<sup>®</sup> is available in 8 different sizes—from 2" through to 8".

#### **BEFORE YOU START**

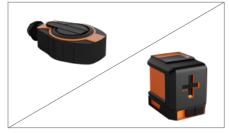
Cascadia offers installation support for all projects. From online installation tutorials, to local rep support, we're here to help ensure a smooth and successful installation.

Prior to starting your project, reach out to Cascasdia's team for a quick meeting so we can offer helpful tips & tricks, technical information and installation recommendations for your specific project.



VERTICAL INSTALLATION VIDEO Z-GIRT HORIZONTAL INSTALLATION VIDEO HAT CHANNEL

#### **TOOLS REQUIRED**



LASER LEVEL / CHALK LINE



UTILITY KNIFE



**#14 HEX NUT DRIVER** 



3/16" DRILL BIT (For concrete/CMU backup walls only)



DRILL



**SPRAY FOAM** (For rigid foam applications only)



### 1. PREPARE THE BACKUP WALL

Before you start, check out Cascadia's online clip calculator to optimize thermal and structural performance, clip spacing and clip quantities.

Prepare the backup wall according to project drawings.

Mark stud locations.

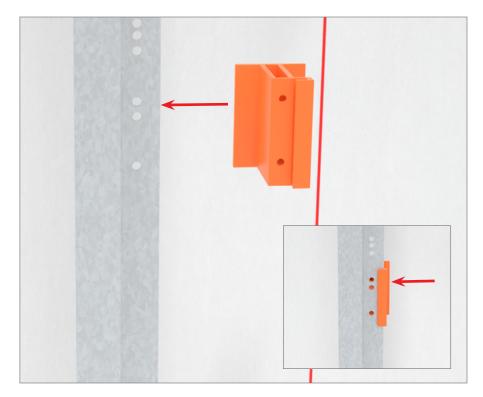
Mark vertical spacing of z-girts as dictated by the cladding engineer shop drawings, project drawings or Cascadia's online clip calculator.



#### 2. SNAP CLIPS TO GIRTS

Snap all clips on to the z-girt, aligning them with the pre-punched holes that match the project's vertical spacing requirements.

Using Cascadia's pre-punched z-girts can significantly decrease installation time.

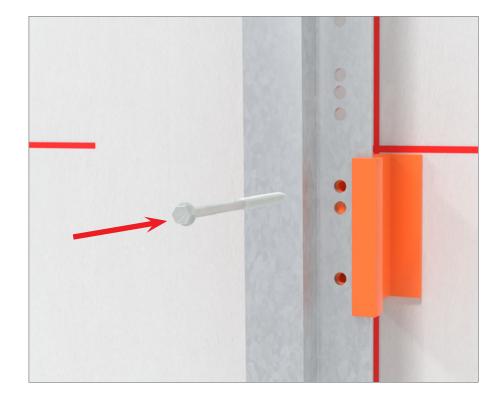




### 3. START A Z-GIRT ROW

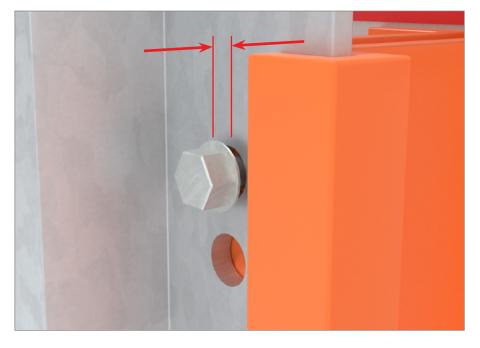
Fasten the top most clip to the backup wall using a single faster. Apply moderate pressure at between 1800-2200 RPMs to allow the selfdrilling fastener tip to effectively penetrate the backup wall.

Allow the z-girt to hang, making it easier to achieve plumb.



Leave a small gap between the fastener head and the z-girt to accommodate adjustments.

It's important to leave fasteners 'loose' if adjustments may be needed. Backing out and re-tightening fasteners may compromise screw pull out capacity.



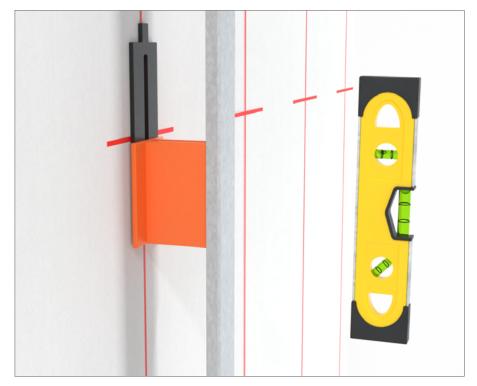


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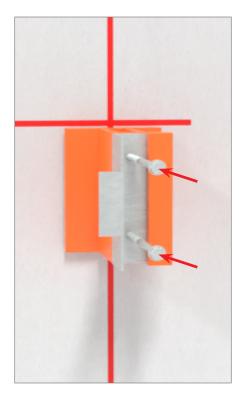
Move along the z-girt, fastening each clip, ensuring the z-girt is plumb.

Where needed, use a Cascadia Shim to adjust the z-girt to achieve plumb.

Cascadia Shims are available in 1/8" and 1/4" depths.



If more than 1/2" adjustment is needed, use an adjustment bracket to create plumb.



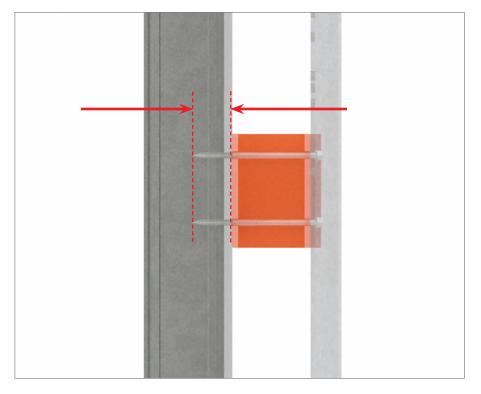




### **5. SECURE FASTENERS**

Finish securing all fasteners tight to the z-girt.

Ensure both fasteners penetrate the backup wall to the stud, creating a non-combustible, steel-to-steelto-steel, structural connection.



#### **6. INSTALL REMAINING ROWS**

Secure remaining rows as dictated by the cladding engineer shop drawings, project drawings or Cascadia's online clip calculator.

Ensure rows are true across the backup wall.



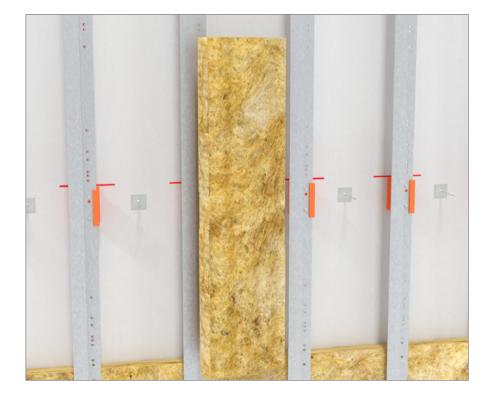


### 7. INSTALL INSULATION

#### **SEMI-RIGID INSULATION**

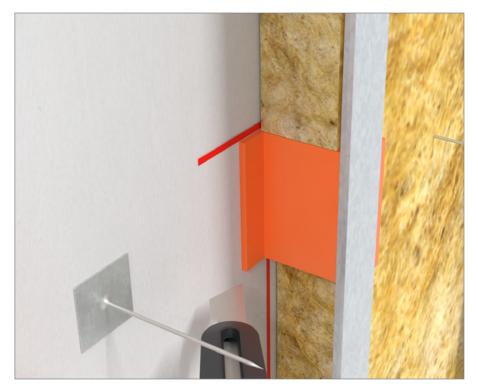
Install insulation retention system in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

Fit insulation between z-girts, ensuring a tight fit.



Cut a small relief cut in the side of the insulation to accommodate the clip.

Repeat the process across the remainder of the wall.



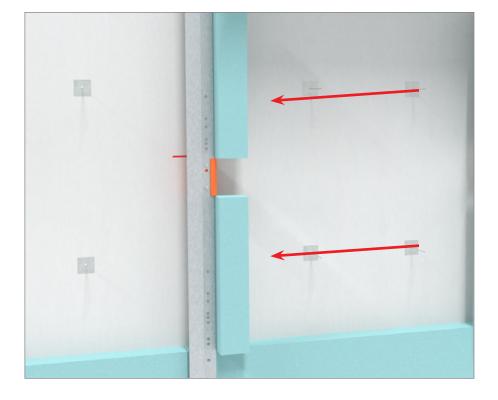


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#### **RIGID INSULATION**

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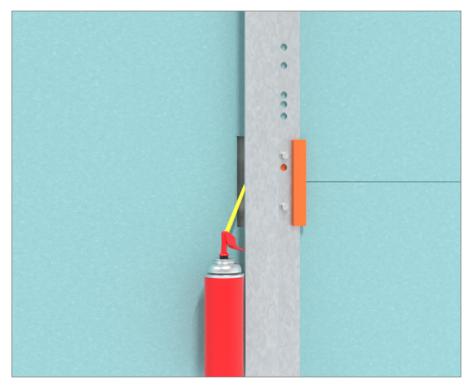
Cut strips of rigid insulation and fit behind the z-girt.



Fit insulation between z-girts, ensuring a tight fit.

Fill any gaps around the clips with spray foam.

Repeat the process across the remainder of the wall.





### 8. INSTALL CLADDING

Proceed with cladding installation in accordance with shop drawings and manufacturer's instructions.

