



The Hidden Link®

HIDDEN DECK FASTENING SYSTEM

Benefits

- No visible fasteners on deck board face
- Fasteners that are attached to the joists are hidden by the subsequent deck board
- **The Hidden Link®** system allows air to flow between the deck boards and the joist, enabling the joists to continually dry out (preventing the acceleration of rot)
- No expensive biscuit cutter required
- No hammering
- Works well with exotic hardwoods and composite decking
- Approx. 100 sq. ft coverage using 5.5" deck boards 16" o.c.
- Screws Included.



The Easiest Clip to Install!

Installation Sequence



STEP 1

To install the first deck board, place **The Hidden Link®** flat against the joist as shown. Fasten the tab into the joist using the 1" screws supplied.



STEP 2

Next, place the first deck board on top of **The Hidden Link®**, fastening it to **The Hidden Link®** using the 1" screws supplied.



STEP 3

After the first **The Hidden Link®** is fastened to the deck board, move to the opposite edge of the deck board and slide **The Hidden Link®** between the deck joist and deck board. Fasten the 1" screw through **The Hidden Link®** tab at EVERY JOIST LOCATION as shown.



STEP 4

Fasten **The Hidden Link®** to the joist using the 2" screw at EVERY JOIST LOCATION.



STEP 5

To install the next deck board, fasten the tab of **The Hidden Link®** to the edge of this deck board with the base of the clip on the underside. The spacing should be within 1" of the side of EACH JOIST as it will slide under the previously fastened deck board.



STEP 6

Take the entire length of this deck board with the clips installed and tuck the clips under the previously fastened deck board. **The Hidden Link®** automatically gaps the deck boards. Consult manufacturer's spacing specifications before installing your deck.



STEP 7

Then repeat Steps 3 through 6, progressively working down the entire length of each joist.



STEP 8

This image shows the first and second deck boards installed. Be sure the deck boards are snug against the spacer tab as you continue fastening the subsequent deck boards.



STEP 9

As you reach the end of the deck, fasten **The Hidden Link®** on the OUTSIDE edge of the Rim Joist as shown, using 16" spacing between each one around the entire perimeter of the deck.



STEP 10

Fasten **The Hidden Link®** to the underside of the last deck board. You may finish off with your desired fascia material or just leave the rim joist exposed.

The Hidden Link® is a patented deck clip system that is easy to install from above the deck. No expensive biscuit cutters are required, no hammering, no access to the underside required and no visible fasteners on the deck board face. Each carton contains enough clips and screws to fasten 100 square feet of decking (based on 16" centers). The clip automatically spaces the deck boards and allows air flow between the deck boards and the joist, enabling the joists to dry faster preventing rot, mold and mildew. The clips are made from heavy duty powder coated steel and all fasteners are coated with ACQ approved coatings. **The Hidden Link®** carries an exclusive 25 year prorated warranty against loos deck boards. **The Hidden Link®** is compatible with pressure treated joists but not recommended for pressure treated deck boards. **The Hidden Link®** is not recommended for use when contact to salt water may occur. For seaside applications call us at 800-951-2222 and ask about our stainless steel Shadoe®Track under deck fastening system or email us at sales@suredrive.com.

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