# GUIDELINE FOR A VELCRO® INSTALLATION



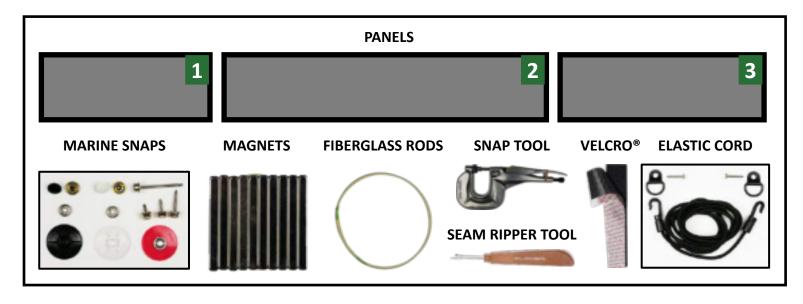
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# **VELCRO INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **INSPECT YOUR CURTAIN AND KIT**

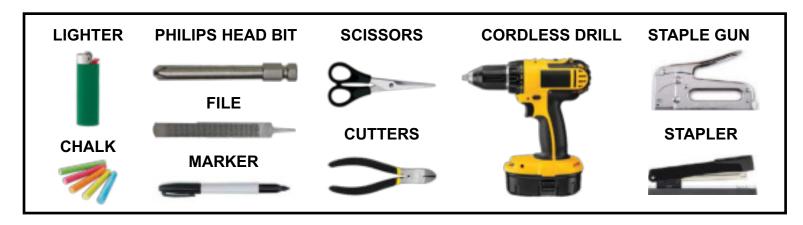
Thank you for your order! These instructions are a guideline for installation. Every application is different and you will have the flexibility to improvise for your particular conditions. Online videos will enable you to watch each step of the process.

Most kits come with a panel diagram. When your curtain panels arrive, each panel is labeled on the curtain tag to reveal the layout of your panels for your application. When everything has arrived, ensure that your kit includes what you need for your installation. This is a just a sampling of what may be included with your order, and will vary according to your project. In most cases, you will be set for the installation upon arrival, but in some instances, you will realize you need additional materials based on your specific situation. If you have any issues, call and we will help you. With tens of thousands of orders completed, we've been stumped only 3 times and we're as friendly as your grandmother.



#### **ADDITIONAL TOOLS**

In addition to what comes in your kit, you may use a few other tools found commonly around the house. Having these on hand will make your installation much easier.



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### PREPARE MOUNTING SURFACE

**STEP 1)** Mount the Velcro®. Clean surface with a damp cloth. Begin mounting by wrapping around some surface. Peel and stick the provided adhesive-backed hook-sided Velcro® tape to your surface. At corners, cut 3" long and wrap around corner. Repeat on other side, overlapping the Velcro®. Reinforce using a staple gun every 12 inches.





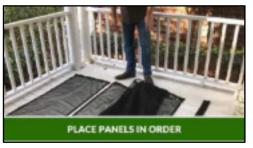


# **PREPARE YOUR CURTAINS**

**STEP 1)** Prepare your magnetic doorways. It is easiest to prepare magnetic doorways with panels on the ground. 5 magnets is a good number to use for applications under 8 feet tall. You can use more magnets as necessary depending on your wind conditions (place magnets about every 12-18").

Begin by placing panels in order and making marks where you will place your magnets. kid's chalk works well for this and wipes away easily. Ensure magnets are equally spaced.







The "Ramrod Method" can be used to insert your magnets into your curtain panels.

ROD FIBERGLASS

First, prepare your rod to slide in fabric. Be careful opening rods, as they are coiled under tension. File fiberglass rod like an eraser head of a pencil. Then, briefly light the edge with a lighter to melt fiberglass and blow out. This will keep the fiberglass from splintering.







Use the seam ripper tool provided to make a small slit **between the double stitching.** Insert a magnet into the slit and push down using the fiberglass rod. Having someone hold the other end will make the process much easier when inserting. Repeat for all magnets.







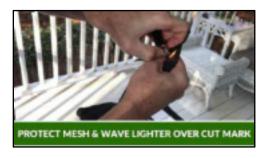
Use kid's chalk to mark the magnet locations on the adjacent panel. Place magnets into position on the first panel and mark the top with a marker. Starting with the bottom magnet on the next panel, place the magnets in sharpie side up. Repeat on all magnets.







When finished with a panel, protect the mesh and wave a lighter over the slice mark to seal the opening and wipe away chalk marks. Finally, test your magnetic connection to ensure magnets are aligned to attract each other. If they are not aligned, you will find that you can roll them in the fabric to correct the polarity.







**STEP 2)** Insert fiberglass rods. First, prepare your rod to slide in fabric by filing like an eraser head and searing edges. The rod is inserted in a small pocket outside of the double stitching on the edge of the panel. Insert the rod into the small hole at the bottom. Cut off excess rod and slide up about 2" up into the rod pocket. One method to seal the channel is with an ordinary stapler. Then you can remove the rods when you take the curtains down.







**STEP 4)** Prepare Stucco Strips. You will use the same processes as above, but these can be a bit more stubborn because of the thick fabric. If it is tight, inch-worm the fabric down a few inches at a time. Twist the panel to remove any spiraling. Push against something hard to finish. These tricks will help!





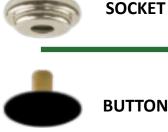


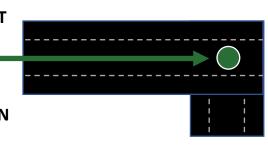
#### **MOUNTING YOUR CURTAINS**

**STEP 1)** Place a female snap in the upper corners of all panels. Place a male snap through the Velcro® on surface where panel will begin. Snap first corner into position.

Place snap on tool. Swiftly drive button post into socket between the double stitching.













**STEP 2)** Hang your curtain by firmly pressing the loop-sided Velcro® strip sewn to the top binding to the hook-sided strip adhered to your surface. If you have surface gaps, you can under mount a wood strip. Place marine snaps in the corners of all magnetic doorways.







**STEP 3)** Attach the sides of your curtain panels with marine snaps. Begin by sealing all magnetic doorways. Pull panels to edges and decide how much overlap you want on your sealing surfaces. The edge of the panel will extend slightly beyond the edge of your surface.

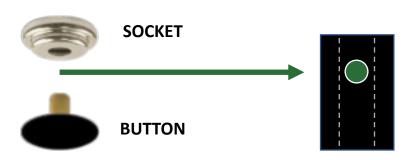




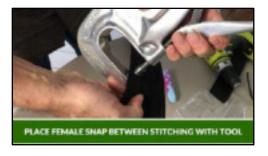


Now you will place your marine snaps. If you are using the industrial marine snap tool, you can place the the female snap first and then the male snap or vice versa. Both options work because the snap tool can place snaps in mid-air. If you are not using the industrial snap tool, it is best to place the female snaps while the panels are on the ground, then place male snaps on your surface to match the female snaps.





Place a female snap on your panel. Use chalk to mark snap and press against surface. Place male snap in chalk mark on surface.







Like magnetic doorways, 5 is a good number of marine snaps to place for applications under 8' tall. Place snaps every 12-18" depending on your wind conditions. Equally space snaps top to bottom. Snap each snap into place from the top and pull down to create vertical tension as you go. This vertical tension makes the webbing lay flat and creates a nice seal against the surface.







# **SEALING THE BASE**

**STEP 1)** Do nothing. It is good to give your curtain a day to see how it performs under normal conditions. After watching it for a while, you can begin to make final adjustments to make your curtains fit just right.

**STEP 2)** Strategically place marine snaps. To seal the base of your curtain, you will create side to side tension at the base. The two main methods for sealing the base are strategically placing marine snaps in the bottom corners and placing elastic cords in free corners of an inside hang. Begin by placing marine snaps in the corners to create tension.







**STEP 3)** If you are using an inside hang, place elastic cords in free corners. Begin by placing D-Rings on the ceiling and at the base. Cut the cord to about 3/4 of the height and install the 2<sup>nd</sup> coupling. Attach hooks to top and bottom D-Ring. Your curtain now has something to go around. This helps to create the side to side tension we are looking for.







#### **CARING FOR YOUR CURTAIN**

We want you to get maximum life out of your curtains, so please read carefully. DO NOT leave curtains up during the winter. Squirrels love to nest in tied back curtains to keep warm and every season we get calls from those that wouldn't believe us. Curtains love to be rinsed either with a hose or by soaking them in the bath tub and LINE DRYING them (not in mechanical dryer). "Street crud" is what will ultimately degrade your curtains. Remove end cap and curtains slide out. Remove ONLY fiberglass rods, fold and store in rodent-proof, sealed container.

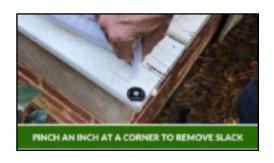






# **FINAL NOTES AND TIPS**

**PINCH AN INCH:** If you find that your curtain is a bit too wide, one handy trick is to pinch an inch at a corner. This can be done at the top or bottom of the curtain. Simply pinch an inch and add marine snaps on either side. This will remove 2" in total width from your curtain.





**MARINE SNAPS:** Depending on your application, you may be using a special type of male snap to go into/onto stucco, brick, metal, vinyl, or other material. The concepts all still apply, you will just be using a different type of male snap for your application.

**GOING INTO MASONRY:** If you are going into concrete, you will need a masonry drill bit and concrete anchors to install.





MARINE SNAP TOOL IS FULLY REFUNDABLE: If you ordered this tool, you can ship it back to us for a full refund. If you didn't and wish you had, give us a call and we'll be happy to get one out to you as soon as possible.

WE ARE HERE TO HELP: If you need assistance with anything or have any issues whatsoever, don't hesitate to give us a call at 866-622-0916! Thank you for reading. We hope you enjoy your new mosquito curtains!

