



## Caring For Your Structure

All H.I.P. structures are sold unfinished (except vinyl) and must be properly prepared and treated within 60 days of delivery, sooner if possible.\* We urge all customers to consult with a professional paint supplier for recommendations on suitable products and required quantities for proper coverage. Untreated wood will weather with exposure to the elements. Weathering is not covered under warranty.

### Wood Structures (Pine, Cedar, Smart Panel)

- To prevent leaking and premature aging of your shed, we recommend wood structures be thoroughly prepared before treatment. All joints between wall siding boards, window trim, door trim, corner boards, soffits, fascias, rake trim, vents, and naturally occurring hairline cracks in knots must be properly sealed with high quality caulking prior to treatment. We strongly recommend nail holes in all material types be filled prior to treatment. In order to deter knots from bleeding through your finish, pre-treat knots with a suitable product.
- All window sashes and doors must be treated on all sides, edges, and surfaces.
- Flower boxes and shutters must be removed and treated on all sides, edges, and surfaces. Wall siding behind flower boxes and shutters must be treated while the components are removed.
- For stain or paint to properly adhere to wood products, we recommend a light sanding prior to treatment. We do not recommend the use of clear sealer on pine or cedar. Discoloration of the wood can result. All treatment should be repeated as needed or in accordance with manufacturers instructions.
- Smart Siding is a pre-primed material, it is NOT top coated, and must be painted. Acrylic latex paint is required. **Do not use any oil-based product.**

\*Delivery between November 1st and February 15th may not allow the owner enough time to treat the structure due to temperature or weather. This will not harm product but some weathering may occur. If your structure is installed during this time period, it must be treated prior to April 15th for the warranty to remain in effect.

"I am very pleased with my new shed. I was amazed how quickly and easily it was installed and how convenient it was from time of purchase to final construction. Thank you!"

— K. MACDONALD, MA

## Post Installation FAQs



### Shingles Aren't Laying Flat

This is a normal condition. Please allow a minimum of 2 full weeks of temperatures above 60° F for shingles to seal.



### Ramp Is Too Steep

If your site is not level enough, your ramp may end up being too steep. When choosing your site, be sure it is level within our requirements.



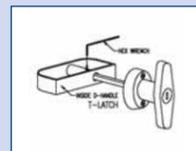
### Subfloor Sheathing

Small gaps between subfloor sheathing sheets are a normal aspect of construction. You may caulk gaps to fill and seal them if you wish. Floors may also be painted for additional protection and appearance. Consult with a professional paint and caulk supplier for recommendations.



### Barrel Bolts Do Not Function Properly

Bolts can become misaligned due to building settling. The building can be re-leveled or adjustments can be made to the barrel bolts. To adjust, loosen all but 1 mounting screw and rotate it slightly until the bolt is aligned with the hole, then re-install the screws. See leveling your building below.



### My Door Handle Is Loose

The handle on the inside of your door may come loose over time. To tighten or re-install the handle, tighten the set screw onto the flat surface of the square shaft using an Allen wrench. A small amount of WD-40 spray may help with a sticky lock.



### Leveling Your Building

When installed on blocks, your building is leveled but over time it may settle causing the doors to function improperly. Settling is not covered under warranty. Please visit our website for instructions on how to re-level your building.



### Why My Shed Looks To Be Out of Level

All sheds are installed level. The photo shows site preparation was not performed by the customer to yield a level site before the installation. Land grade in photo is sloped well over one foot and the site is not level. Plan ahead, better site preparation will yield a more desirable outcome. Level the grade and add fill as necessary.

For Online Information Visit:  
[www.homeinstallpro.com](http://www.homeinstallpro.com)

- Site Prep Guide
- Floor Dimensions
- Sonotubes, Slab, and Gravel Pad
- Layout Diagram
- Caring for Your Shed
- Warranty



## Preparation Guide

Please review this important information about your shed installation

### Welcome and Thank You!

Your shed will be delivered and installed by Home Installation Professionals (H.I.P).

Our goal is 100% customer satisfaction and with your help we can achieve that goal.

*Take a Look Inside!*

# Three Easy Steps to a Successful Shed Installation



## Step 1: Determine If You Need a Building Permit

- Check with your town hall to see if you need a building permit.
- Permit requirements are the responsibility of the customer and must be secured prior to scheduling an installation date.
- Building codes in many towns and counties or your Home Owner Association may require specific foundations or the need to purchase additional items such as anchor kits, 4" x 4" runners or other items to meet specific requirements. Please alert us about these items as soon as possible. We can add these items to your order at additional cost.

**Note: If installation is taking place in Florida, Georgia, or the Carolinas, special requirements must be met.**

We will contact you to discuss this before you contact your town or county. Additional fees may apply.

- Shed sizes in our brochures are approximate. Visit our website for exact outside floor dimensions. If you require any other technical information, please let us know and we would be happy to help you.

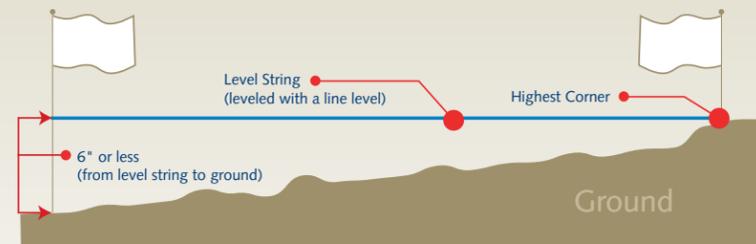


## Step 2: Prepare and Mark Your Shed Site

### Check These Requirements:

- ✓ Site must be 150' or less from where our tractor trailer can park. Shed sites located further than 150' from our truck's parking spot will incur additional charges. Our trucks are approximately the size of a school bus.
- ✓ Access to the site must be clear. Sheds are delivered in large prefab panels which can make navigation through a yard troublesome if there is a fence, narrow walk, gate, arbor, carport, shrubs, stairs, etc. Notify us of all obstacles prior to delivery.
- ✓ Clearance around the shed must be at least 3' from any fences, trees, etc. Please remove tree branches, brush or other obstacles 3' around perimeter of shed and 15' above ground.
- ✓ Land quality is important. When choosing your site consider all factors, including proper drainage, firmness of earth, etc.

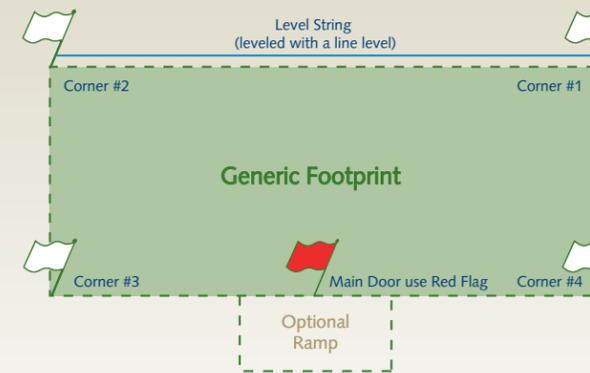
### Level the Ground:



Land grade must be less than a 6" slope from the highest to lowest point, with no protruding rocks or stumps in the area. Identify the highest corner using a "line level" and check the height of the other 3 corners of your site. Line levels are available at any hardware store, or call us and we will mail you one free of charge. If you have purchased a ramp, please make sure this area is level as well.

**Floor sizes are approximate. Before preparing your own foundation or footing (sonotubes) or if using fill, stone or gravel, please call us or visit our website, for detailed instructions.**

### Mark Your Site:



Using the five flags provided, please have the site marked (to the actual shed footprint) before delivery. Indicate the four corners with the white flags and the main or double door location with the red flag (use masking tape for paved surfaces).

If your site is marked you do not need to be home. We will build the shed as close to the flagged layout as possible. If you have very specific placement requirements, you must be home to approve that your shed is being built in the correct spot.



## Step 3: Schedule Your Shed Installation

- Start the scheduling process by going to: [www.homeinstallpro.com/faststart](http://www.homeinstallpro.com/faststart) Enter your phone number and answer the questions to provide us with important information to get your installation started fast. No web access, no problem! We will call you within one week to review your order and schedule your installation.
- Permit requirements must be finalized prior to scheduling and accepting an installation date.
- Our products are installed Monday-Friday. Delivery time can fluctuate based on seasonal volume and weather conditions. Once you have accepted an installation date your order cannot be changed.
- We want to advise you in advance that our crews install multiple products a day. The status of one installation may affect many others. We ask for your understanding if an unforeseen event affects an installation date or time.

## Installation Postponement and Cancellation

We do our best to accommodate customer schedules however postponement of an installation by the customer may result in additional fees. Please contact H.I.P. immediately if your order needs to be cancelled. Cancellation of any product already in production will incur a minimum 15% cancellation fee.

If any of the "site requirements" are not fulfilled, your product may not be installed, and a fee of \$150 will be charged for our crew to return and construct your product once conditions are met. If this occurs, delivery of your materials must be accepted and placed on your property in a location accessible to the final site. If materials cannot be left at the site a \$300 fee for redelivery and reloading will be charged. It is the customer's responsibility to cover the materials with a non-transparent waterproof material to prevent any unnecessary weathering and/or discoloration. All fees are assessed by H.I.P. at the time of notification.

## How We Build Your Shed



Truck arrives with prefabricated shed sections



Sections are carried to site and floor is leveled on concrete blocks



Wall sections are positioned and nailed into place



Roof trusses and sheathing is installed



Roof shingles are applied



Most sheds are complete in 2 to 4 hours!

Watch Our Shed Installation Video Online at: [www.homeinstallpro.com/video](http://www.homeinstallpro.com/video)

## Installation Day Recommendations

### Project Review

Our installer will review the project with you before leaving. If you see something that concerns you, please tell the installer. If you were not home at the time of the installation, please perform a prompt inspection of your shed and immediately contact H.I.P. with any concerns.

### Activate Your Warranty

Activate your warranty at: [www.homeinstallpro.com/activate](http://www.homeinstallpro.com/activate)