

Round Holes:

Always fill all (normal-size) round nail holes, unless otherwise noted.



Diamond Holes:

For maximum listed capacity.

When there are MIN and MAX values:

MIN: fill all round nail holes

MAX: fill all round and diamond holes



Large Round Holes:

For concrete/masonry installation; no need to be filled when connected to wood.



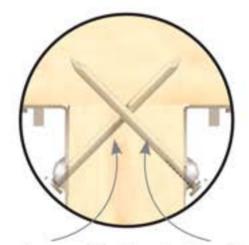
Obround Holes:

For ease of nailing at a tight location; always fill.





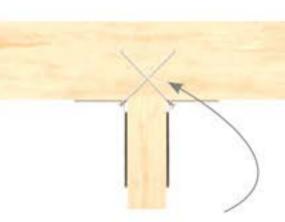
Dimple Holes: Guide double shear nails into the joist and header at a 30° to 45° angle



Use specified standard length common nails. 16d common and 10d common nails are 3-1/2" and 3" long respectively.

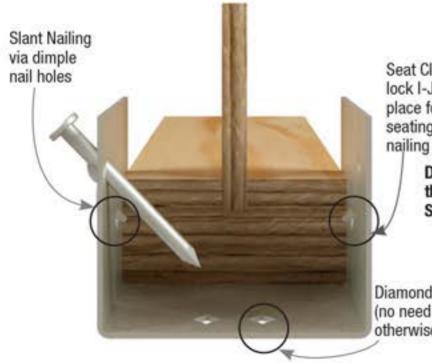


Bend-line Holes



Drive bend line nails into header at 45° to achieve published strength

Typical I-Joist Nailing



Seat Cleat® helps lock I-Joist into place for positive seating and nailing ease

> Do not nail through the Seat Cleat®

Diamond holes (no need to fill unless otherwise noted)



Common Nailing Errors

Wrong Angle

When a nail is driven into the bottom flange of the wood I-Joist parallel to the glue lines, separation of veneers can occur which substantially reduces the design loads of the connection.



Nail Too Long

When using nails longer than USP's recommended nails, bottom flange splitting may occur. Also, this can raise the wood I-Joist off the seat, resulting in uneven surfaces and squeaky floors along with reduced design load.