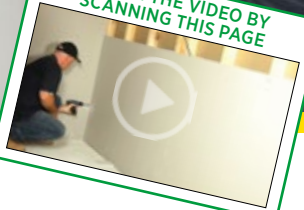




# INSTALLING A PLASTERBOARD WALL



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## WHAT YOU WILL NEED

- USG Boral SHEETROCK® 10mm wall board
- USG Boral Stud Adhesive
- Plasterboard screws or nails

## TOOLS

- Adhesive applicator
- Trimming knife
- T-Square
- Measuring tape and pencil
- Fine-tooth saw
- Keyhole saw
- Claw hammer or cordless drill

## FOR EXTERNAL CORNERS

- Metal external angle
- Straightedge
- Staple gun or hammer and nails
- Tin snips

This info-sheet relates to installing wall board on timber frames in non-wet areas. For installation on masonry walls, or in wet areas such as bathrooms, laundries, etc, please consult the USG Boral Plasterboard Installation Manual.

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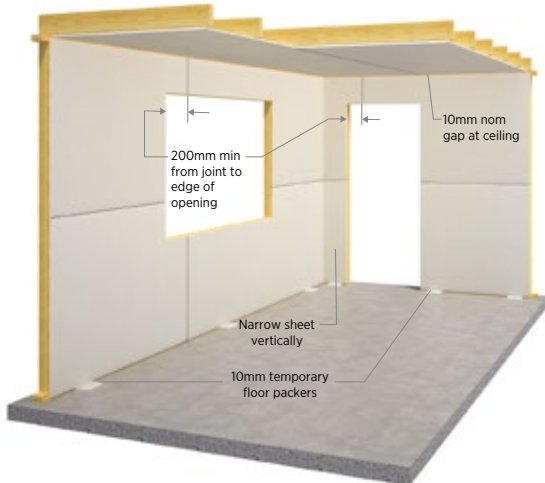
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## MEASURING AND CUTTING



1. Start by measuring and marking the wall board for length.
2. Holding the T-Square firmly along the mark, score through the board liner face with a trimming knife.
3. To complete the cut, lift the wall board and fold the offcut away from the scored face. Then run the trimming knife through the back liner paper at the fold.



**TIP: MEASURE TWICE, CUT ONCE!**

**To allow for doorways and windows:** make the first cuts with a saw then the final cut with a knife.

**To make openings for electrical wiring/fixtures:** measure and mark their location on the plasterboard sheet. Cut a small hole with a keyhole saw. For neat round holes, use a hole-saw attached to your drill.



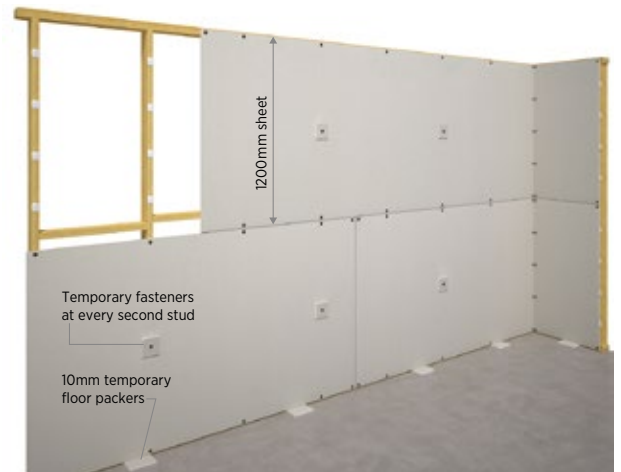
## MORE INFORMATION

Download the USG Boral Installation Manual for comprehensive technical information and installation guidelines. [USGBoral.com/au/installation](https://www.usgboral.com/au/installation)



## INSTALLING AND FIXING

1. Using the adhesive applicator, apply adhesive 'daubs' to the timber wall studs approximately 25mm wide and 15mm thick. Place adhesive daubs approximately 200mm apart and 200mm from sheet edges.
2. Put a couple of small offcuts of plasterboard on the floor against the wall, to allow a 10mm gap at the bottom of the sheet.
3. Ensuring that the recessed edge side of the wallboard is facing OUT, position it lengthways across the timber studs and push firmly into position. Then place screws at each stud along the top edge.
4. Next place screws every 300mm along the ends of the sheet and around openings. Remove the offcuts BEFORE fastening the bottom edge of the sheet.



## IMPORTANT!

Make sure you countersink the screws just below the wallboard's surface so they can be filled later, taking care not to break the paper face. A counter-sinking drill bit attachment will help to prevent over-screwing.

5. Hold the sheets against the adhesive for at least 24 hours – or 48 hours in cool conditions. Do this by fixing temporary blocks (small offcuts) through the board to every second wall stud.
6. Repeat the process for the next sheet, ensuring they are butted neatly together.



## EXTERNAL CORNERS

These help to protect external corners from damage.

1. Check that your external corner is level using a straight edge.
2. Measure and cut the metal external bead to the right length with tin snips. Bend it in slightly to accommodate any deviation from a right angle, if necessary.
3. Position it firmly onto the wall corner and fix in place with a staple gun or hammer and nails at every 300mm.



## NEXT STEP:

Jointing and finishing your walls – to create a smooth surface before painting. Download our info-sheet and watch the video at [USGBoral.com/au/diy](https://www.usgboral.com/au/diy)



### SAFETY FIRST!

- Ensure any ladders, scaffolding, trestles or planks you use are adequate and safe
- Read cautionary notes on all product packaging
- Wear safety gloves when using sharp tools
- Wear a dusk mask and eye protection when sanding
- We recommend you consult with a licensed electrician and/or plumber about any electrical wiring and/or plumbing requirements, prior to installing plasterboard

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