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# Wilsonart® Sinks - Fabrication Guide

 Wilsonart® HD® Sinks

 Wilsonart® Solid Surface Sinks

 Wilsonart® Durasteel<sup>TM</sup> Sinks

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## General Safety

Safety is a critical concern for any shop and key part of a successful business. The following safety rules should be incorporated into your safety program to help prevent an accident. Safety training, knowledge, product use and environment is the responsibility of the facility owner and the shop employees.

**CAUTION:** Always follow product, equipment and/or tools manufacturer's recommendations and instructions carefully.

- Read directions carefully before installing Wilsonart® Sinks.
- Read instructions manual before operating tools.
- Keep all guards in place and in working order.
- Insure all tools are properly grounded. Never remove the third prong.
- Keep work area clean, uncluttered and well lit.
- Don't use electric power tools in a damp or wet work area.
- Keep visitors at a safe distance from the work area.
- Use the right tools. Don't force a tool or attachment to do a job it was not designed to preform.
- Always use safety glasses or approved eye protection and/or face shield, ear/noise protectors and safety shoes. (FIG. 1A & 1B)
- Wear the proper apparel, no loose clothing or jewelry.
- Secure all work with the proper clamp or vice to a stable work surface.
- Don't overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.
- Maintain tools in top condition. Disconnect tools before servicing and when changing accessories such as blades, bits, cutters, etc.
- Keep and use denatured alcohol, adhesives and materials in a safe, ventilated place.
- Dust collection should be utilized when cutting, routing and sanding. Tools should be used with dust collection at all times.

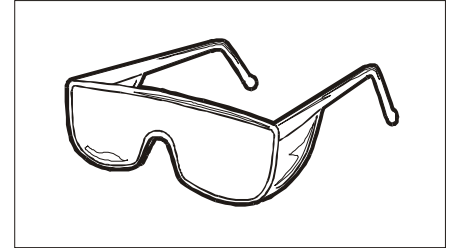


Figure 1A



Figure 1B



Figure 1C

## Wilsonart® HD® Sink Adhesive

• Wilsonart® HD® Sink Adhesive is for professional use only. Always follow the manufacturer's recommendations and instructions carefully. Recommended shop temperature for bonding is 65°F or warmer. (FIG. 1C)

**Warning:** This sink adhesive contains the following hazardous ingredients: Methyl Methacrylate, Benzoyl Peroxide, and Dibutyl Pathlate. Avoid prolonged breathing of vapors. Use only in a well ventilated area. Keep out of reach of children. Eye protection is always recommended. Motors and other equipment used in the fabrication and installation process must be UL labeled explosion proof.

For further information refer to Wilsonart Sink Adhesive Material Safety Data Sheet available on request. Contact your local distributor or call 1-800-433-3222 for immediate response to a question concerning Wilsonart Sink Adhesive.

## Storage and Inspection

- Store Wilsonart Sinks indoors in their original shipping boxes until ready to install.
- Wilsonart Sink Adhesive - refrigerated storage required. Store in tightly closed containers in cool, dry, well ventilated place between 40° F (4.4° C) and 60° F (15.4° C) preferably at 50° F (9.9° C). **Do Not Freeze.**

## Wilsonart Sinks Inspection:

- Every effort has been made to supply high quality materials free of defects. You must conduct a final (precutting) inspection to continue the quality control process prior to fabrication or the warranty may be void.
- Inspect sink for imperfections, verify design and color as necessary.
- Verify the thickness (top to bottom) of the sink flange. It needs to be;
  - ☐  $1\frac{1}{16}$ " or less for the Wilsonart postform ledge method.
  - ☐  $\frac{3}{4}$ " or less for other methods (FIG. 2A)
- If thicker than listed above, make a jig to trim the bottom of the sink flange. (FIG. 2B)
  - ☐ Use a flat sheet of particleboard or MDF approximately  $1\frac{1}{8}$ " wider than the sink.
  - ☐ Apply 1" strips of particleboard or MDF even with the outer perimeter of the flat sheet.
- Place on a well supported work surface and with a router and a top bearing flush trim bit, machine the excess flange. (FIG. 2C)

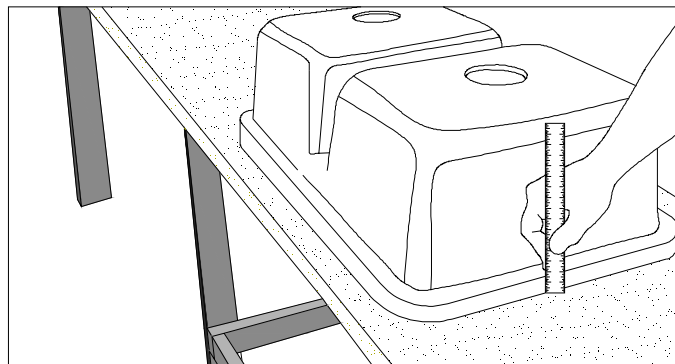


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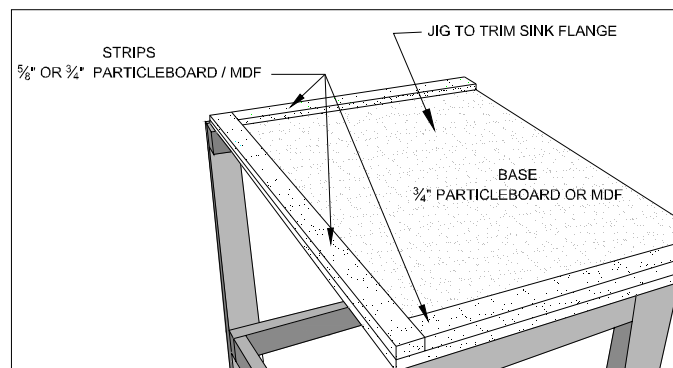


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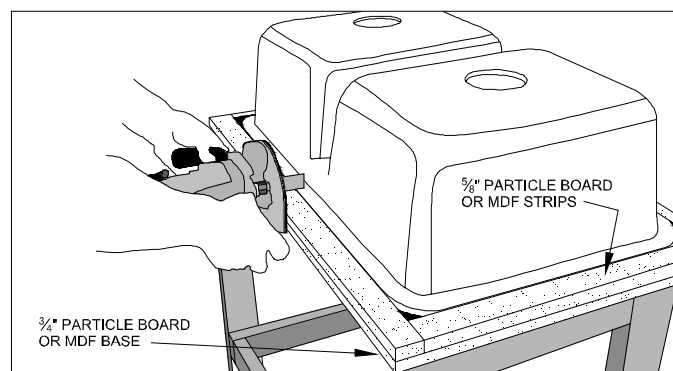


Figure 2C

## Suggested Tool List

- The following suggested tool list is only a minimum requirement for professional and successful Wilsonart® Sink installation in a laminate top.
- Various woodworking and specialized solid surface fabrication tools are available in the market today.

### Hand & Power Tools

- Routers (FIG. 3A)
  - 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> HP plunge base w/1/2" (13mm) collet
  - 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> HP plunge or set base
  - Laminate tilt base w/1/4" (6mm) collet
- General Router Bits (FIG. 3B)
  - 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" (28.6mm) Top bearing flush trim bit (1)
  - 1" (25.4mm) Straight cut bit
  - 3/4" (19mm) Straight cut bit (4)
  - 3/8" (6mm) Bottom bearing flush trim bit (2) (velvet touch guide bearing suggested)
- Template Guide (FIG. 3B)
  - 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" (31.75mm) Template guide (5)
- HD® Sink bits (FIG. 3B)
  - H1006782 - 7/8" (19mm) Flush trim bit (3)
  - H1006783 - Beveled profile bit (6)
  - H1006784 - Replacement bearings
- Sanders (FIG. 3C)
  - Random Orbital
  - Dust collection system (suggested)
  - Sanding Disks 150 and 220, 60 and 80 Micron
  - Scotch-Brite® pad #7448
- Laminate file (FIG. 3C)
- Seam Kit dispensing gun (FIG. 3D)
  - 10-018 Mixer tip or
  - 10-024 Mixer tip

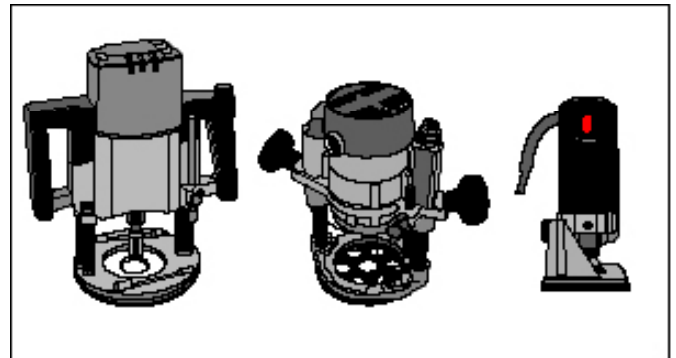


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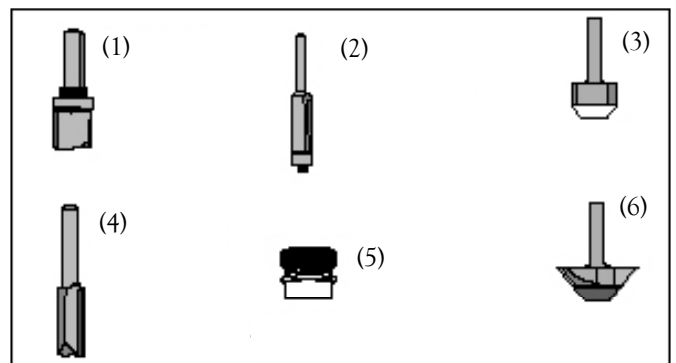


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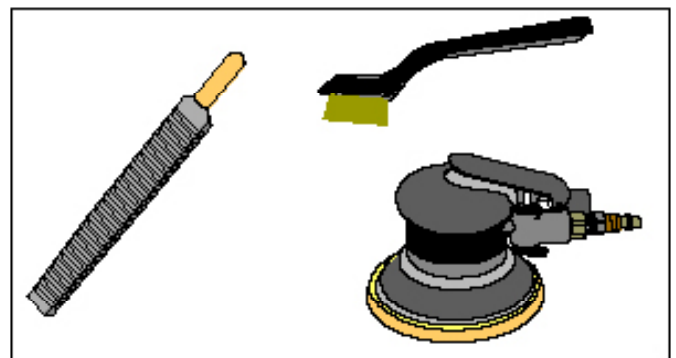


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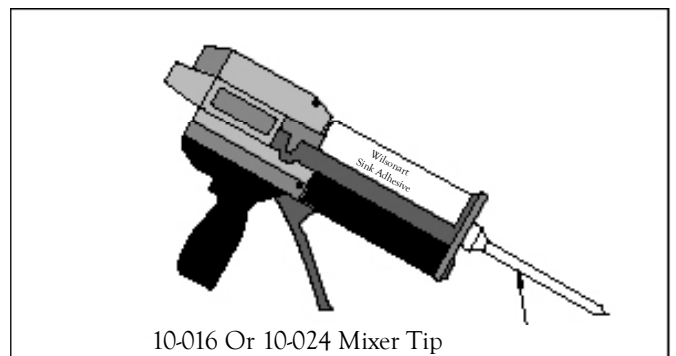


Figure 3D

**WARNING:** When using electrical tools, please use caution to prevent electrical shock.

**CAUTION:** Always follow product, equipment and/or tool manufacturer's recommendations and instructions carefully.

## Bonding Preparation

- Do not use lacquer thinner, acetone or other solvents.
- Colored or printed towels will contaminate the seam material and cause a weak or stained bond line.
- For stubborn residue use a Scotch-Brite pad and denatured alcohol.

## Prior to Bonding

Cure time of Wilsonart HD Sink Adhesive may vary due to temperature and humidity.

- Apply small bead of Wilsonart HD Sink Adhesive to scrap laminate to verify cure time.
- Clean sink flange and/or sink ring with denatured alcohol and a clean white cloth. (FIG. 4A & 4B)
- Also clean the area of the laminate where the sink or sink ring will be bonded. (FIG. 4C)
  - Do not saturate laminate with denatured alcohol.
  - Remove printed ink on back of laminate.
- Prepare the Sink Adhesive to bond the sink to the laminate.
- Insure proper mixture of adhesive and catalyst with the following procedures. (FIG. 4D)
  - Before installing the disposable mixing tip, install the cartridge into the dispensing gun and slightly pull the trigger until both adhesive and catalyst are coming out of the cartridge.
  - Apply mixer tip (10-018 or 10-024) to cartridge and purge tip with one complete pull of the handle.
- Recommended shop temperature for bonding is 65°F or warmer.

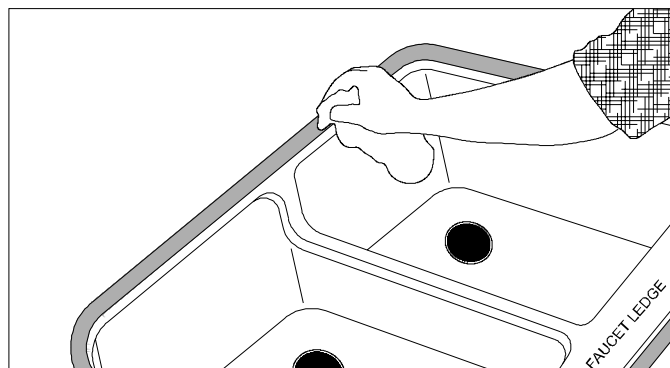


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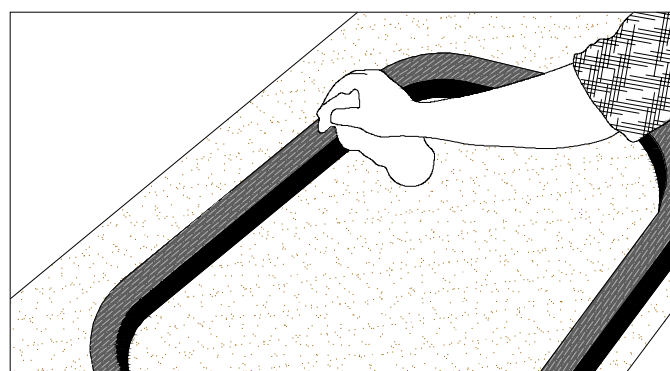


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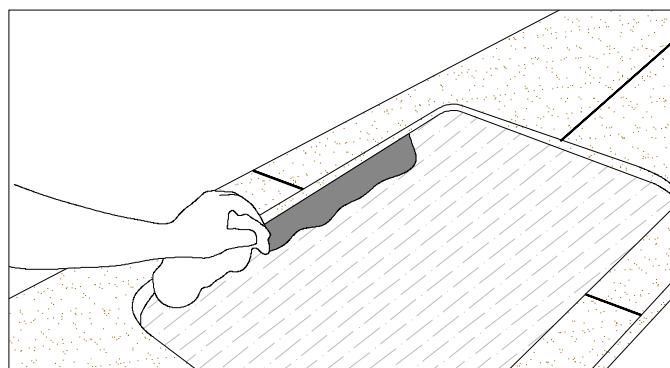


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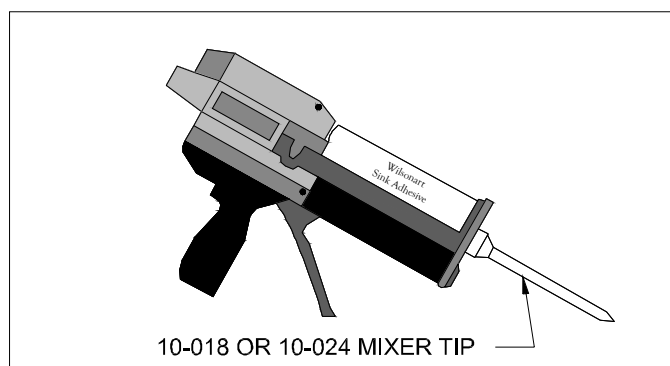


Figure 4D

## Direct To Laminate Method

The following process was developed to install a Wilsonart HD sink in a postform or pre-bonded laminate top.

### Prepare the Substrate

- Locate where sink is to be installed on the substrate and draw reference lines (centerlines). (FIG. 5A)
- Make a two part template to route the substrate for your sink cutout in the pre-bonded laminate countertop. (FIG. 5B)
  - See page 24 for instructions to make a two part template.
  - Contact AMPS for phenolic or MDF templates at 800-678-8692
- Align the centerlines of the two part undermount sink template with the reference lines on substrate.
  - Fasten securely to substrate with properly sized screws.
- Index a 3 $\frac{1}{4}$  HP or 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  HP plunge router with a 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ " x 1" top bearing flush trim router bit to remove the substrate. (FIG. 5C)
  - Set the cutting depth to route within  $\frac{1}{32}$ " of the laminate.
  - Adjust depth to include the thickness of the template and the countertop substrate.
  - Do not set routing depth to reach the laminate.
  - Substrate and adhesive thickness variation may cause damage to the laminate if routing depth is set too deep.
  - It is recommended to remove substrate in multiple router passes, to decrease stress on router and bit.
- Route along templates in the direction indicated.
  - Remove all substrate for this routing depth between the two part templates. (FIG. 5D)
- Once this step is completed, there should be  $\frac{1}{32}$ " of substrate remaining. (FIG. 5C)
- Remove the template from the substrate.

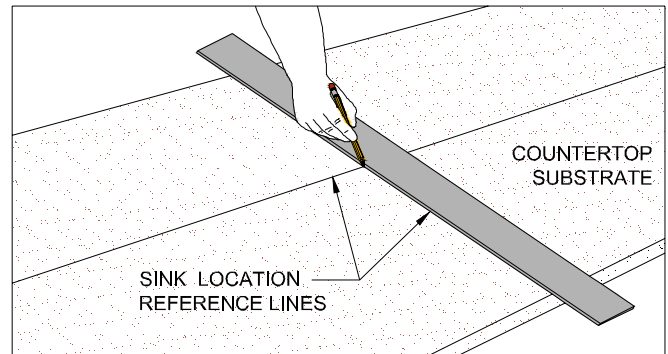


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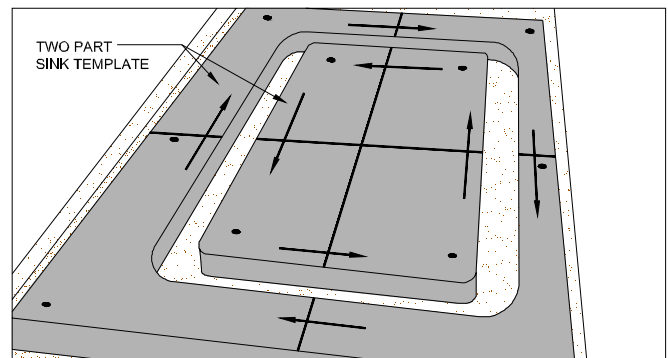


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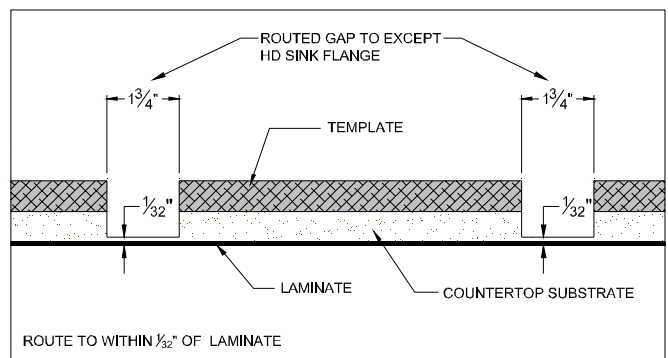


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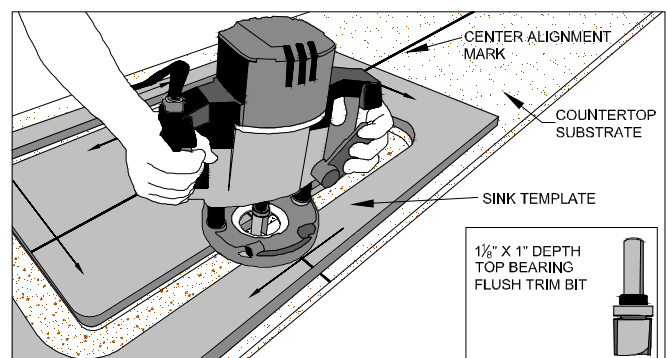


Figure 5D



## Direct To Laminate Method (cont.)

- Using a sharp chisel remove the remaining substrate and adhesive layer from the back of the laminate.
  - Keep chisel flat, beveled side up, so as not to damage laminate. (FIG. 6A)
- Using a wire brush remove any remaining substrate or adhesive residue from the exposed laminate. Blow off all residue with compressed air. (FIG. 6B)
  - Do not use adhesive solvents which may saturate the substrate or degrade the bond between the laminate and the substrate.
- Drill a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " or larger pilot hole through the substrate at the inside of the sink cutout to insert a laminate trim bit to cutout center piece. (FIG. 6C)
- Turn top over so laminate is facing up.

### Center Cutout Removal

- Use a laminate trim router with a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " bottom bearing flush trim bit, route around the inside of the sink cutout. (FIG. 6D)
  - Remember to route to the inside of the cutout.
  - Routing in a counter clockwise direction, be sure to keep bottom bearing against inside center piece substrate.
  - This step will remove the center section of the cutout.
- Flip top back over so laminate is facing down.

### Dry Fit Sink

- Place sink in cutout
  - Insure sink flange does not extend above substrate.
  - Do not exceed a  $\frac{1}{8}$ " gap between the sink flange and the substrate.
- If not flush with substrate;
  - Re-trim as directed on page 2 of this manual or
  - Use belt sander or surface leveler to remove excess flange.

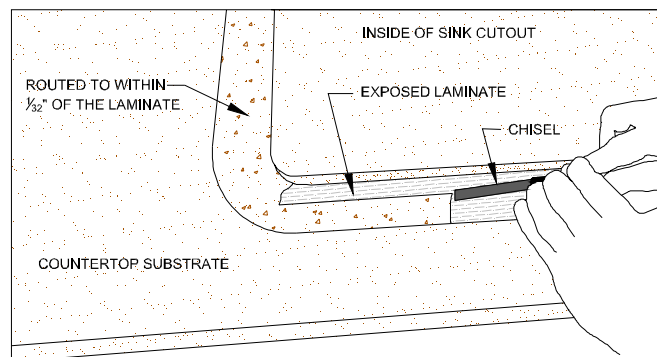


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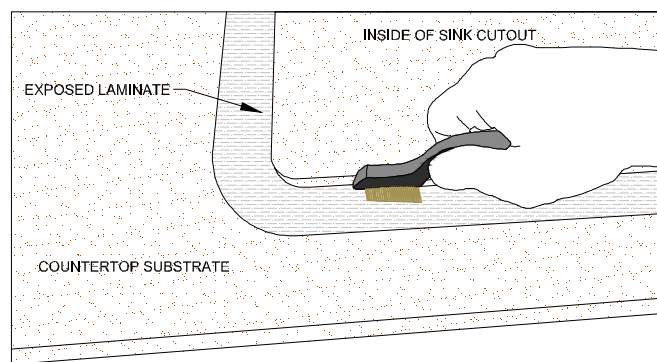


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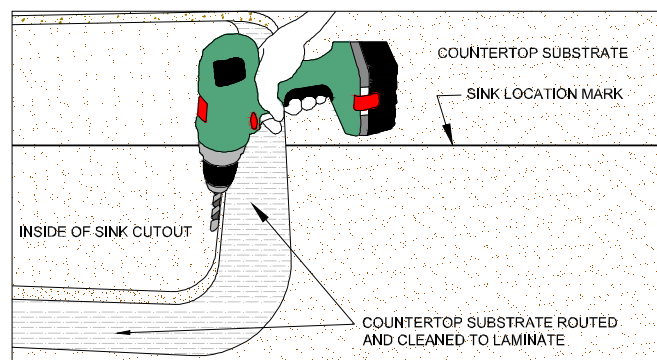


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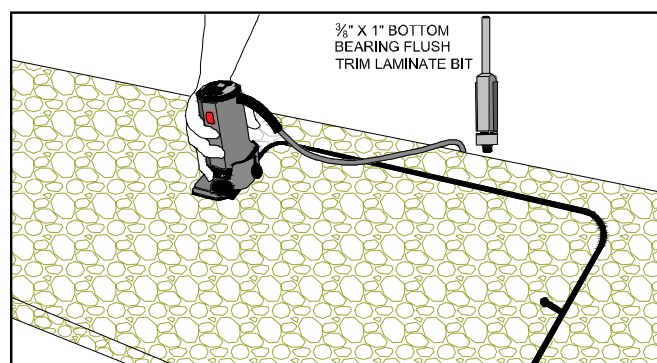


Figure 6D

## Direct To Laminate Method (cont')

### Bonding Process

- Clean the sink flange and exposed laminate with denatured alcohol and a clean white cloth. (FIG. 7A)
- Prepare the Sink Adhesive to bond the sink to the laminate.
- Apply the HD Sink Adhesive to the HD sink flange. (FIG. 7B)
  - Apply one  $\frac{3}{16}$ " bead of adhesive  $\frac{1}{16}$ " from the inside edge of sink flange.
- Place the sink in the cutout and move sink to spread the sink adhesive and apply firm pressure for 5 to 10 seconds.
  - No weight is necessary.
- Align sink with register marks on flange and reference lines on the substrates.
- Fill gap between sink rim and substrate with 100% silicone. (FIG. 7C)
- Allow the sink adhesive to cure completely before moving or routing.
- Place  $\frac{3}{4}$ " thick wood support strips around entire perimeter of sink flange. (FIG. 7D)
  - Minimum 2" wide strips are required.
  - Strips should cover only the area of the flange that was previously trimmed.
  - In the front and back of the sink, they should extend over the substrate to cover the entire area inside the cabinet base.
  - Secure with wood glue and properly sized screw or nails.

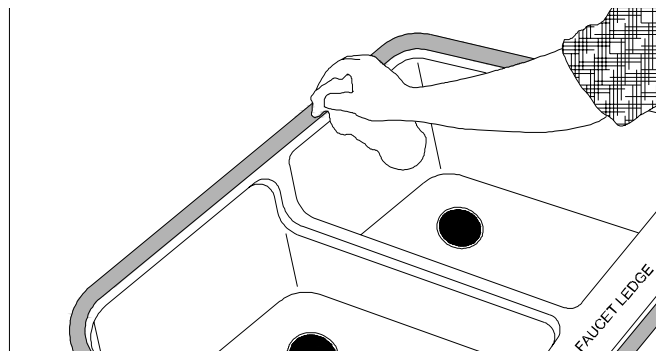


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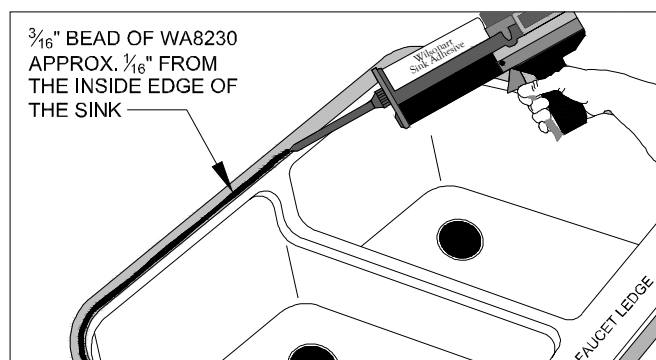


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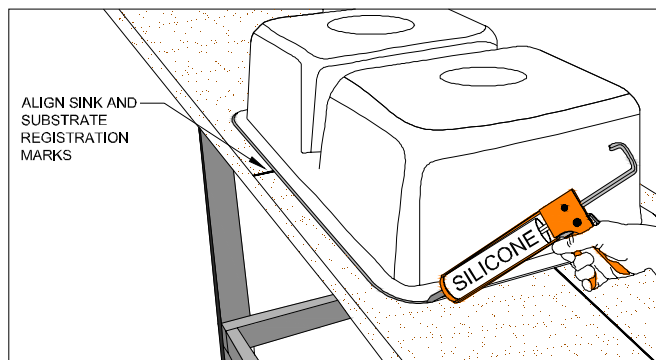


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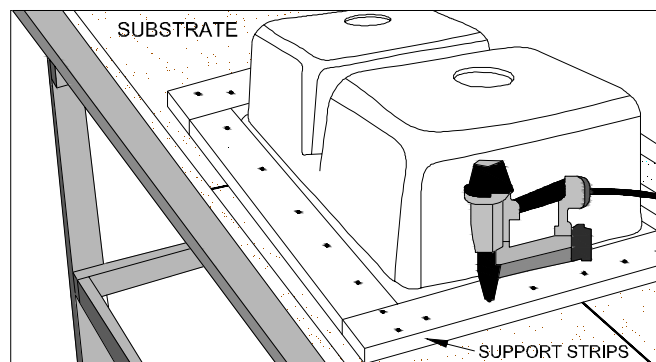


Figure 7D

### Direct To Laminate Method (cont')

#### Routing & Profiling the Sink

##### Routing Precautions

- Set depth of bit so that it does not come in contact with the sink plumbing ledge.
- Using a variable speed router set at 16,000 to 18,000 rpm will prolong the life of the carbide router bits.
- Clean and lubricate bits after each use.

##### Countertop without an attached backsplash

- Adjust the laminate tilt-base trim router with a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " bottom bearing flush trim bit. (FIG. 8A)
  - Set the angle of the base at approximately  $45^\circ$  to  $48^\circ$ .
  - Set bearing to run along bevel of sink.
- Route around the inside of the sink. (FIG. 8A)
  - Remember to rotate the router base through corners to properly follow the radius and eliminate router chatter.

##### Countertops with an attached backsplash (postform top)

Due to limited space between the sink and the backsplash, Wilsonart suggests the following procedures.

- Use a laminate trim router with the bottom bearing flush trim bit and flush trim the overhanging laminate. (FIG. 8B)
- Use a laminate trim router with the sink profile bit, profile the edge of the laminate with the angle of the sink. (FIG. 8B)

#### Finishing

- Sand the edge of the laminate and sink wall with a random orbital palm sander. Use a 150 to 220 grit sandpaper. (FIG. 8C)
  - Use only light to medium pressure when sanding.
  - Keep sander at same angle as sink wall.
  - Keep sander moving to minimize the chance of dips or over sanding one area.
- Finish sanded area with a gray 3M® Scotch-Brite® pad.
  - Use only light to medium pressure in a circular motion.
- Soften the sharp edge of the laminate with a laminate file.
  - Lightly file at a  $45^\circ$  angle. (FIG. 8D)

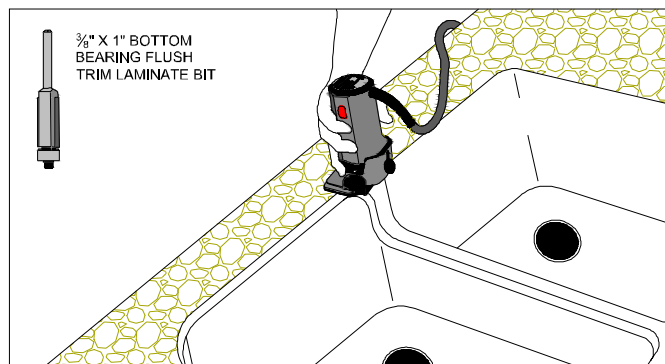


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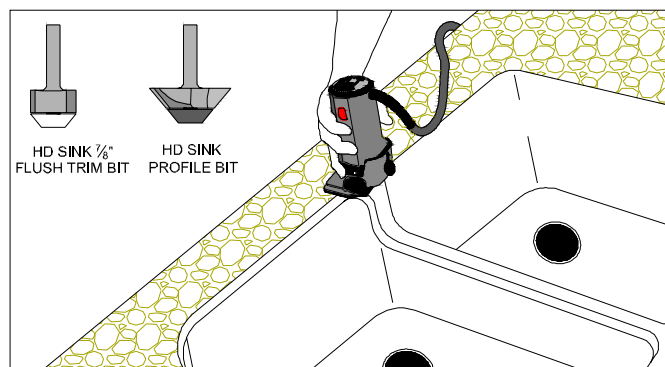


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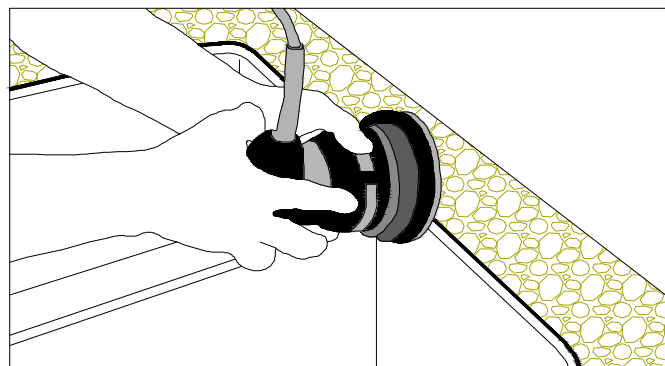


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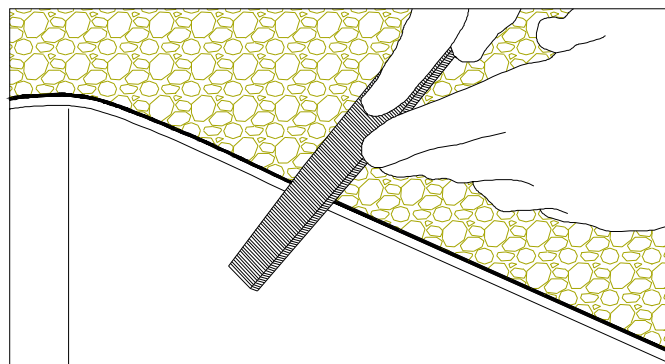


Figure 8D

## Postform / Pre-Bonded Laminate Tops Ledge Method

The following process was developed by Wilsonart to install a Wilsonart sink in a postform or pre-bonded laminate top.

### Prepare the Substrate

- Locate where sink is to be installed on the substrate and draw reference lines/centerlines. (FIG. 9A)
- Make a two part template to route the substrate for your sink cutout in the pre-bonded laminate countertop. (FIG. 9B)
  - See page 24 for instructions to make a two part template.
  - Contact AMPS for phenolic or MDF templates at 800-678-8692.
- Align the both centerlines of the two part undermount sink template with the reference lines on substrate.
  - Fasten securely to substrate with properly sized screws.
- Index a 3¼ HP or 2½ HP plunge router with a 1½" x 1" top bearing flush trim router bit to remove the substrate. (FIG. 9C)
  - Set the cutting depth to route within 1/16" of the laminate.
  - Adjust depth to include the thickness of the template and the countertop substrate.
  - Do not set routing depth to reach the laminate.
  - Substrate and adhesive thickness variation may cause damage to the laminate if routing depth is set too deep.
  - It is recommended to remove substrate in multiple router passes, to decrease stress on router and bit.
- Route along templates in the direction indicated.
  - Remove all substrate for this routing depth between the two part templates. (FIG. 9D)
- Once this step is completed, there should be 1/16" of substrate remaining.

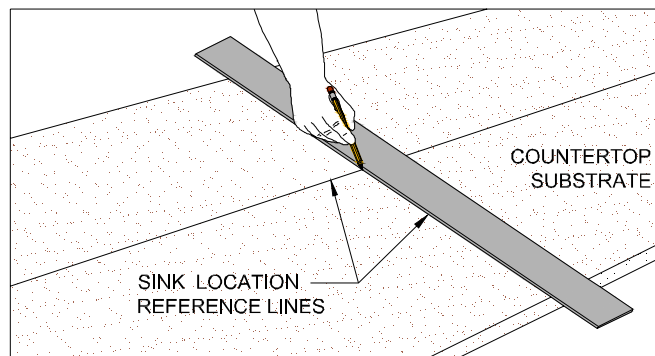


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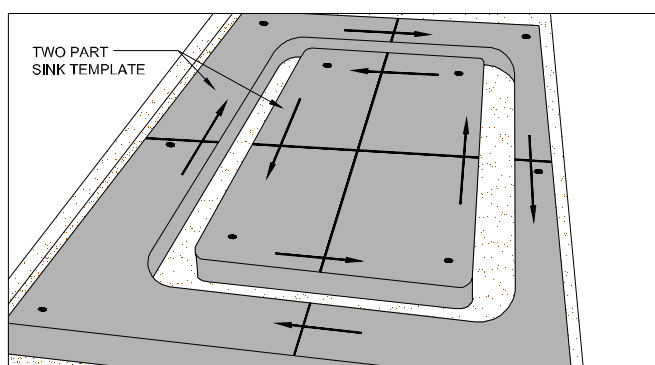


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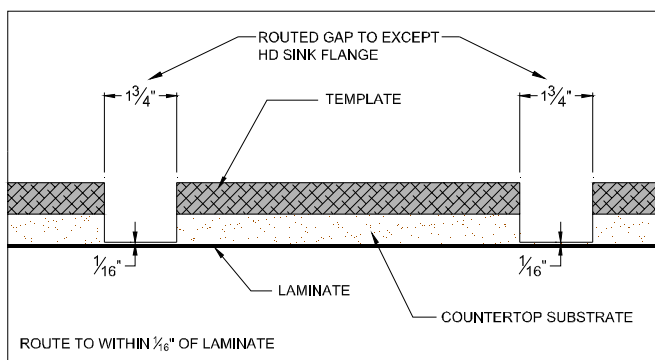


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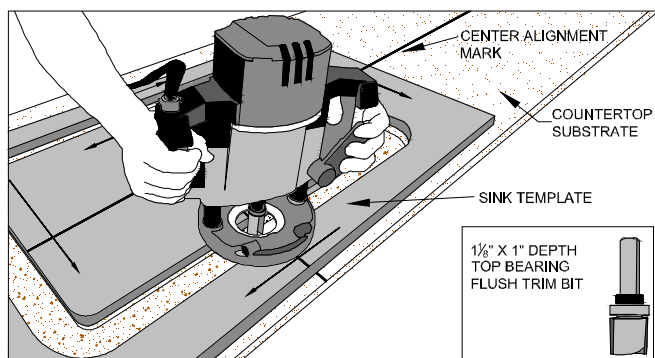


Figure 9D

## Ledge Method (cont')

- Index a 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> HP or 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> HP plunge router with a 1" straight cut router bit and a 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" (31.75mm) template guide to remove the remaining substrate to within 1/32" of the laminate. (FIG. 10A)

- ☐ Do not set routing depth to reach the laminate.
- ☐ Substrate and adhesive thickness variation may allow damage to the laminate if routing depth is set too deep.

- Once set, route a small area along the remaining inside substrate of the sink cutout only. (FIG. 10B)
- Use a sharp chisel and scrape away the remaining substrate to verify proper routing depth.
- ☐ Adjust routing depth as necessary.
- Once set, route along the remaining inside substrate of the sink cutout only, this will create a 1" wide channel. (FIG. 10B)

- Remove the template from the substrate.
- Using a sharp chisel remove the remaining substrate and adhesive layer from the back of the laminate in the 1" wide channel only.
- ☐ Keep chisel flat, beveled side up, so as not to damage laminate. (FIG. 10C)
- Using a wire brush remove any remaining substrate or adhesive residue from the exposed laminate. Blow off all residue with compressed air. (FIG. 10D)

- ☐ Do not use adhesive solvents which may saturate the substrate or degrade the bond between the laminate and the substrate.

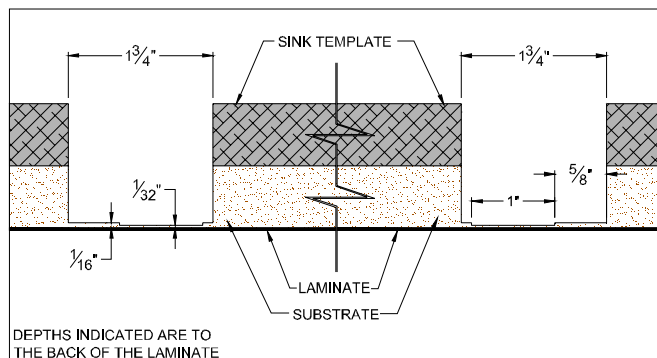


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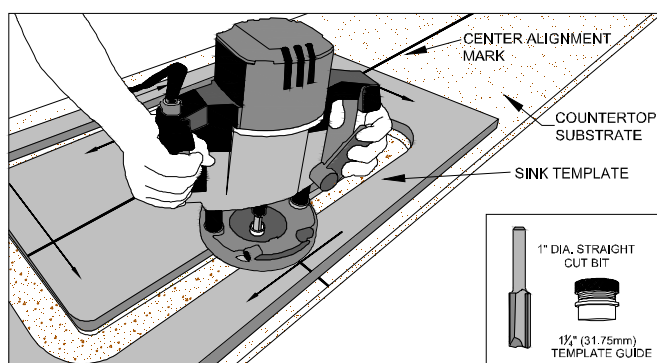


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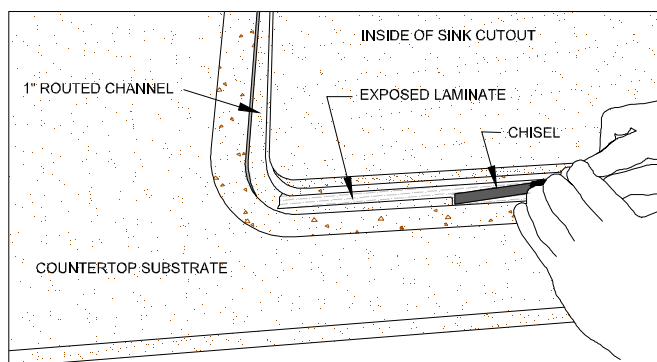


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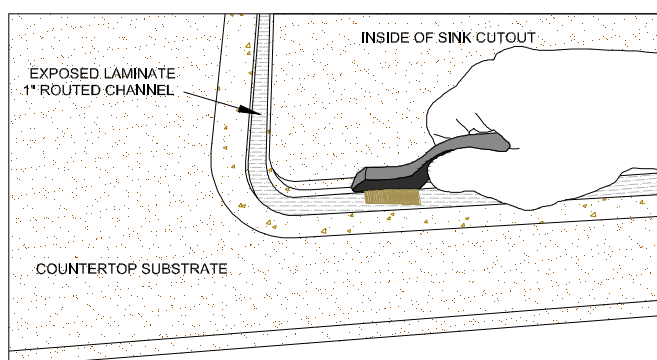


Figure 10D



## Ledge Method (cont.)

- Drill a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " or larger pilot hole through the substrate at the inside of the sink cutout to insert a laminate trim bit to cutout center piece. (FIG. 11A)
- Turn top over so laminate is facing up.

### Center Cutout Removal

- Use a laminate trim router with a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " bottom bearing flush trim bit, route around the inside of the sink cutout. (FIG. 11B)
  - Remember to route to the inside of the cutout.
  - Routing in a counter clockwise direction, be sure to keep bottom bearing against inside center piece substrate.
  - This step will remove the center section of the cutout.

### Dry Fit Sink

- Place sink in cutout.
  - Insure sink flange does not extend above substrate.
  - Do not exceed a  $\frac{1}{8}$ " gap between the sink flange and the substrate.
- If not flush with substrate;
  - Re-trim as directed on page 2 of this manual or
  - Use belt sander or surface leveler to remove excess flange.

## Bonding Process

- Clean the sink flange and exposed laminate with denatured alcohol and a clean white cloth.
  - Prepare the Sink Adhesive to bond the sink to the laminate.
  - Apply the Sink Adhesive to the sink flange. (FIG. 11C)
  - Apply one  $\frac{3}{8}$ " bead of adhesive on the laminate channel next to the substrate
- Place the sink in the cutout and move sink to spread the sink adhesive and apply firm pressure for 5 to 10 seconds.
  - No weight is necessary.
- Align sink with register marks on flange and reference lines on the substrates.
- Fill gap between sink rim and substrate with 100% silicone. (FIG. 11D)
- Allow the sink adhesive to cure completely before moving or routing.

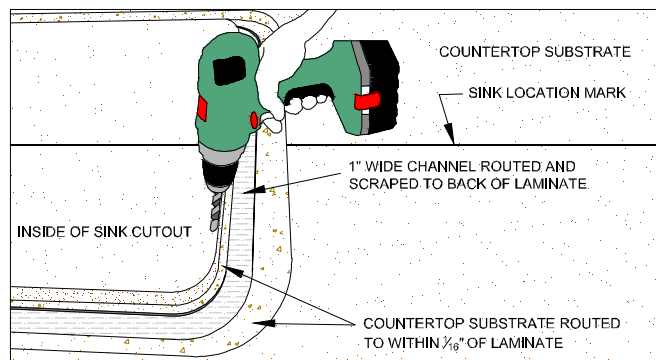


Figure 11A

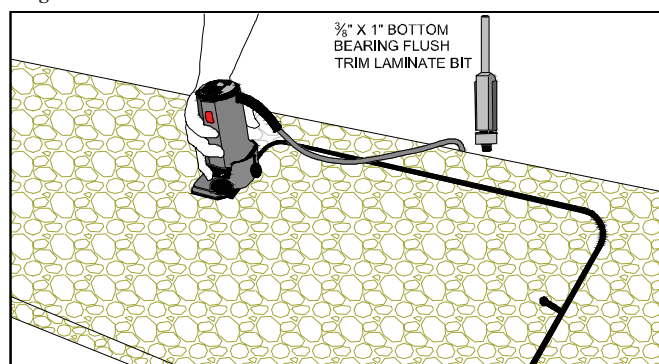


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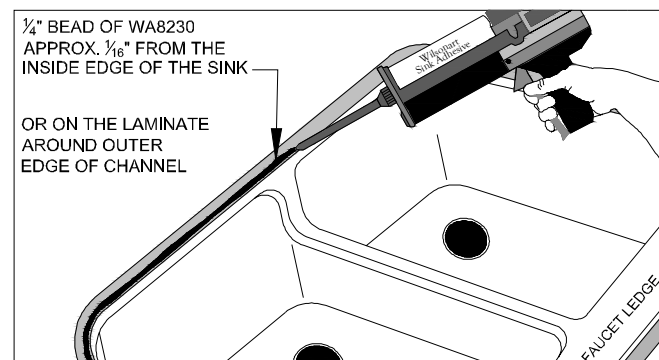


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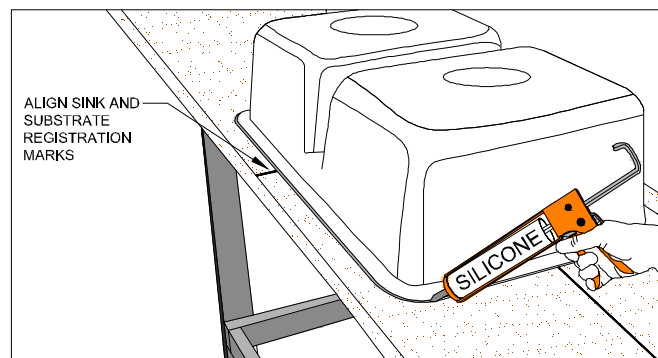


Figure 11D

## Ledge Method (cont')

### Sink Support

- Place  $\frac{3}{4}$ " thick wood support strips around entire perimeter of sink flange. (FIG. 12A)
  - Minimum 2" wide strips are required.
  - Strips should cover only the area of the flange that was previously trimmed.
  - In the front and back of the sink, strips should extend over the substrate to cover the entire area inside the cabinet base.
  - Secure with wood glue and properly sized screws or nails.
- Once sink adhesive has completely cured, flip the countertop over on a well supported surface.

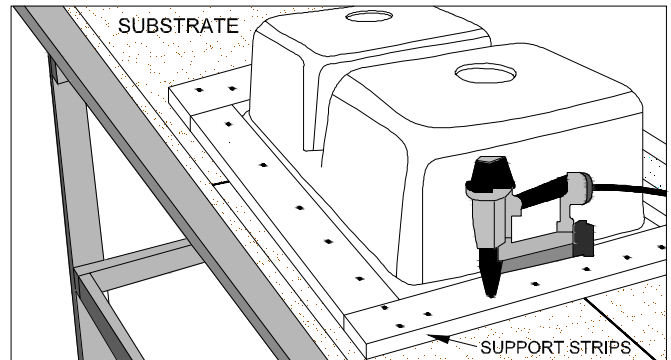


Figure 12A

## Routing & Profiling the Sink

### Routing Precautions

- Set depth of bits so that they do not come in contact with the sink plumbing ledge.
- Using a variable speed router set at 16,000 to 18,000 rpm will prolong the life of the carbide router bits.
- Clean and lubricate bits after each use.

### Countertop without an attached backsplash

- Adjust the laminate tilt-base trim router with a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " bottom bearing flush trim bit. (FIG. 12B)
  - Set the angle of the base at approximately 45° to 48°.
  - Set bearing to run along bevel of sink.
- Route around the inside of the sink. (FIG. 12B)
  - Remember to rotate the router base through corners to properly follow the radius and eliminate router chatter.

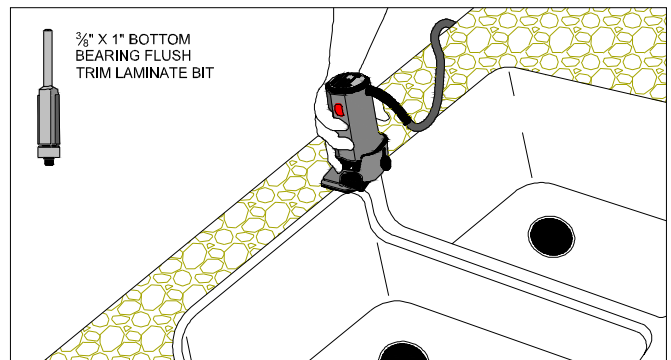


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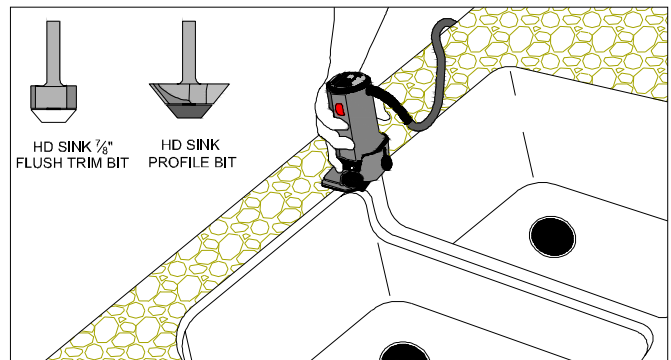


Figure 12C

### Countertops with an attached backsplash (postform top)

Due to limited space between the sink and the backsplash, Wilsonart suggests the following procedures.

- Use a laminate trim router with the bottom bearing flush trim bit and flush trim the overhanging laminate. (FIG. 12C)
- Use a laminate trim router with the sink profile bit, profile the edge of the laminate with the angle of the sink. (FIG. 12C)

## Ledge Method (cont')

### Finishing

- Sand the edge of the laminate and sink wall with a random orbital palm sander. Use a 150 to 220 grit sandpaper. (FIG. 13A)
  - Use only light to medium pressure when sanding.
  - Keep sander at same angle as sink wall.
  - Keep sander moving to minimize the chance of dips or over sanding one area.
- Finish sanded area with a gray 3M® Scotch-Brite® pad.
  - Use only light to medium pressure in a circular motion.
- Soften the sharp edge of the laminate with a laminate file.
  - Lightly file at a 45° angle. (FIG. 13B)

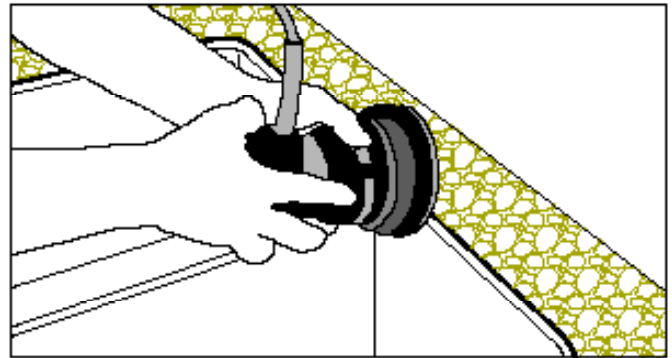


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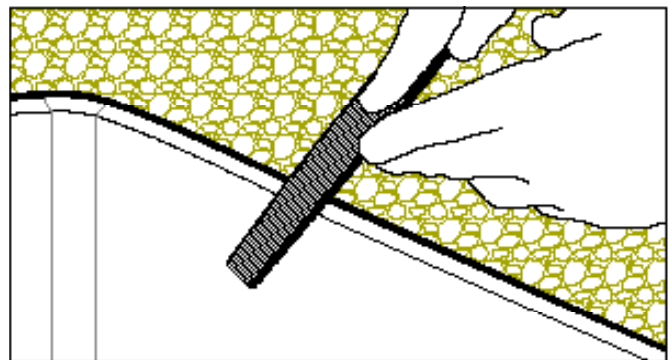


Figure 13B



## Custom Tops - Filler Method

The following method can be used to install a Wilsonart HD Sink into a countertop that does not already have the laminate bonded to the substrate. The filler method will provide added stability and strength between the sink and the substrate.

### Prepare the Substrate

- Draw the sink location on the substrate with a vertical and horizontal centerlines. (FIG. 14A)
- Position sink on substrate, align register marks on the flange with the centerlines.
- With a pencil, trace the sink perimeter leaving an  $\frac{1}{8}$ " gap between the pencil line and the rim of the sink. (FIG. 14B)
- Remove the sink.
- Using a jig saw, cut the substrate along the pencil outline of the sink. (FIG. 14C)
  - Keep the cutout for laminate bonding process.
- Place substrate with cutout on the laminate to be bonded.
- With a pencil, trace the inside perimeter of cutout onto the back side of the laminate to be bonded. (FIG. 14D)
  - Once done, remove the laminate.

### Dry Fit Sink

- Place sink in cutout
  - Do not exceed a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " gap between the sink flange and the substrate.

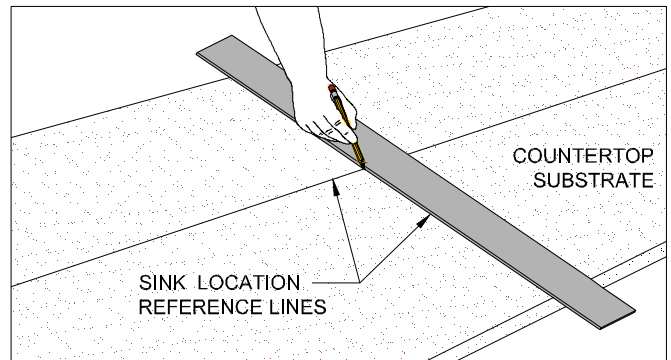


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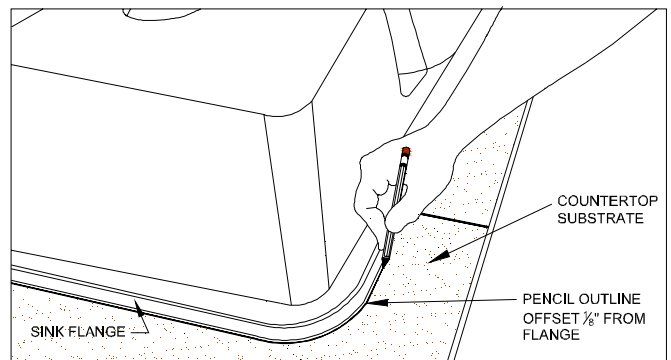


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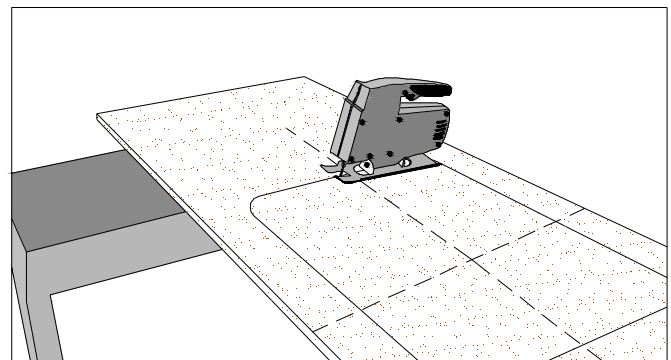


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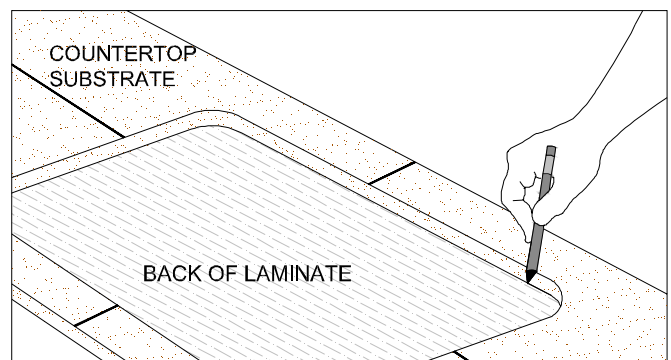


Figure 14D

## Custom Tops - Filler Method (cont.)

- Place  $\frac{3}{4}$ " thick wood support strips around entire perimeter of backside of substrate around cutout area. (FIG. 15A)
  - Minimum 2" wide strips are required for adequate support.
  - Strips should overhang  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to  $\frac{1}{2}$ " and support sink flange.
  - In the front and back of the sink, strips should extend over the substrate to cover the entire area inside the cabinet base.
  - Secure to substrate with wood glue and screws or nails.
- Flip countertop over and center sink in cutout on the wood support strips.
  - The sink should sit slightly higher than the substrate. (FIG. 15B)
  - Adjust height as needed by placing laminate chips under flange on the wood support strips.
- Select an auto body repair filler such as Evercoat® or comparable product.
  - Mix and use the filler according to the manufacturer's recommendations.
- Apply the filler into the gap between the sink and the substrate. Allow mixture to cure or harden completely. (FIG. 15C)
- Once completely cured, use a belt sander with coarse grit sandpaper and level the rim of the sink and the filler.
  - Keep the belt sander level in order to sand the sink rim level with the substrate. (FIG. 15D)

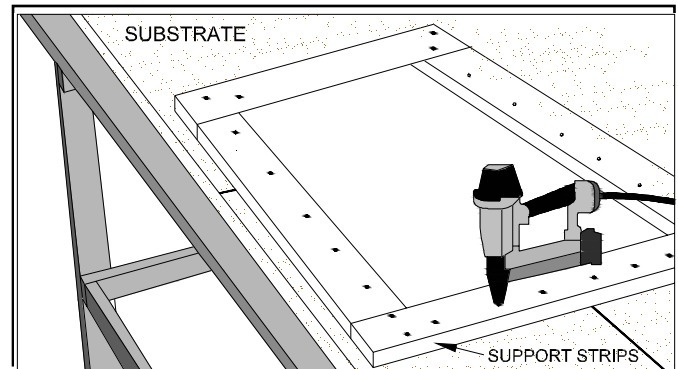


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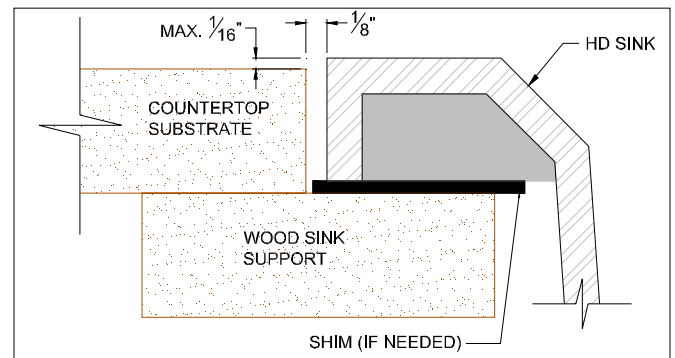


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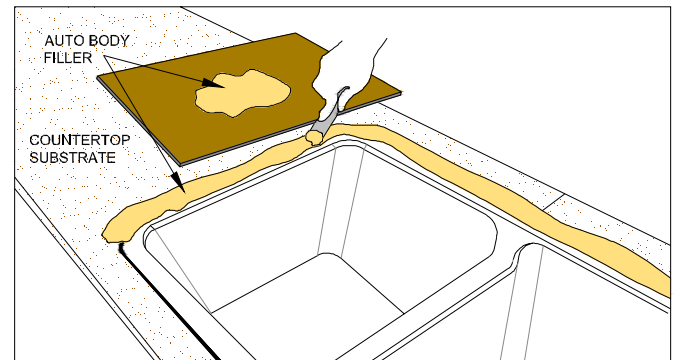


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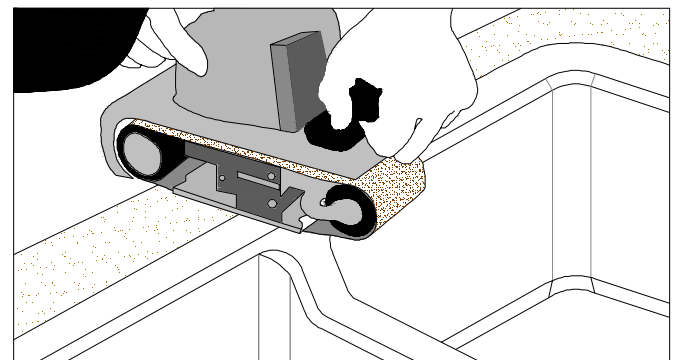


Figure 15D

## Custom Tops - Filler Method (cont')

- Apply a release tape such as masking tape on the side walls around the entire sink. (FIG. 16A)

- Place approximately  $\frac{1}{16}$ " to  $\frac{1}{8}$ " below the rim of the sink.

NOTE: Applying this tape will minimize time required for the final trimming stage to remove the sink adhesive kit used to bond the sink to the back of the laminate which may squeeze out on to the side wall of the sink.

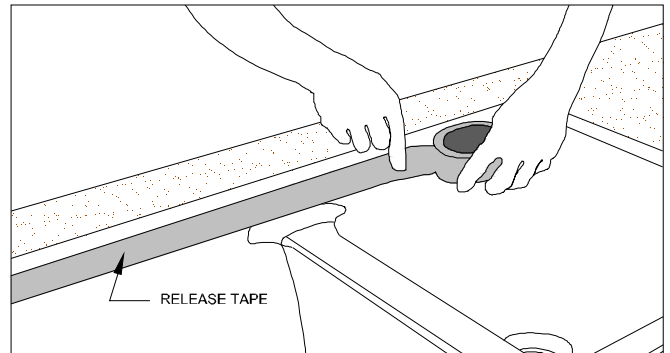


Figure 16A

## Bonding Process

- Place the substrate cutout of the sink on the backside of the laminate. (FIG. 16B)

- Align the cutout with the penciled outline to eliminate applying contact adhesive in this area.

- Apply contact adhesive per manufacturer's recommendations to the back side of the laminate. (FIG. 16B)

- Place the same substrate cutout over the sink bonded in the substrate.

- Insure the edges of the sink are completely covered.

- Apply contact on the substrate per manufacturer's recommendations.

- Clean sink flange with denatured alcohol and a clean white cloth.

- Prepare the Sink Adhesive to bond the sink to the laminate.
  - Apply the Sink Adhesive to the sink flange. (FIG. 16C)
  - Apply one  $\frac{3}{16}$ " bead of adhesive  $\frac{1}{16}$ " from the inside edge of the sink flange.

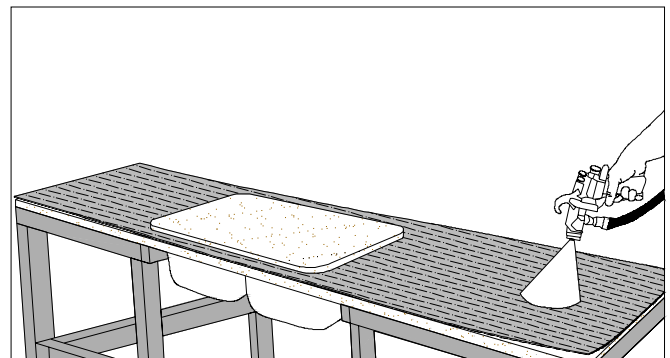


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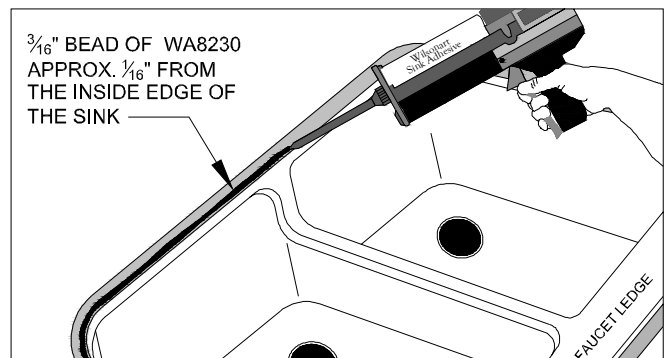


Figure 16C

- Bond laminate to substrate using the manufacturer's recommendations and procedures.
- J-roller is recommended to apply pressure to laminate.
- Apply pressure directly to the sink rim area with two sheets of particle board or with something of comparable weight. (FIG. 16D)
  - Insure even weight is applied around entire sink rim.
  - Allow sink adhesive to cure completely before moving or routing.

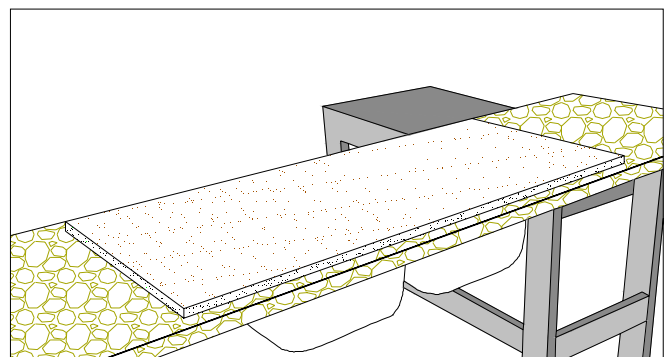


Figure 16D

## Custom Tops - Filler Method (cont.)

### Center Cutout Removal

- Drill a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " or larger pilot hole approximately 1" from inside edge of sink flange. (FIG. 17A)
- Do not drill pilot hole over faucet deck area.

### Routing & Profiling the Sink

#### Routing Precautions

- Set depth of bit so that it does not come in contact with the sink plumbing ledge.
- Support the laminate cutout during the routing process.
- Do not allow laminate to sag and drop between the carbide and the bearing.
- Using a variable speed router set at 16,000 to 18,000 rpm will prolong the life of the carbide router bits.
- Clean and lubricate bits after each use.

#### Countertop without an attached backsplash

- Use a laminate tilt-base trim router with a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " bottom bearing flush trim bit, remove the laminate over the sink. (FIG. 17B)
  - First pass, set the angle of the base at approximately  $35^{\circ}$  -  $40^{\circ}$
  - Set depth of bit so that it does not come in contact with the sink plumbing ledge.
- Adjust the laminate tilt-base trim router with a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " bottom bearing flush trim bit. (FIG. 17C)
  - Second pass, set the angle of the base at approximately  $45^{\circ}$  to  $48^{\circ}$ .
  - Set bearing to run along bevel of sink.
- Route around the inside of the sink.
  - Remember to rotate the router base in corners to properly follow the radius and eliminate router chatter.

#### Countertops with an attached backsplash

Due to limited space between the sink and the backsplash, Wilsonart suggests the following procedures.

- Use a laminate trim router with the bottom bearing flush trim bit and flush trim the overhanging laminate. (FIG. 17D)
- Use a laminate trim router with the sink profile bit, profile the edge of the laminate with the angle of the sink. (FIG. 17D)

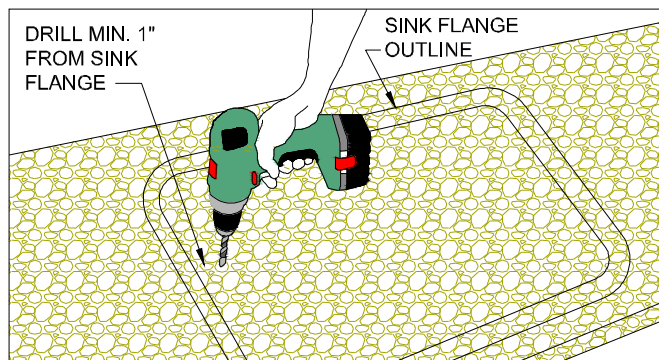


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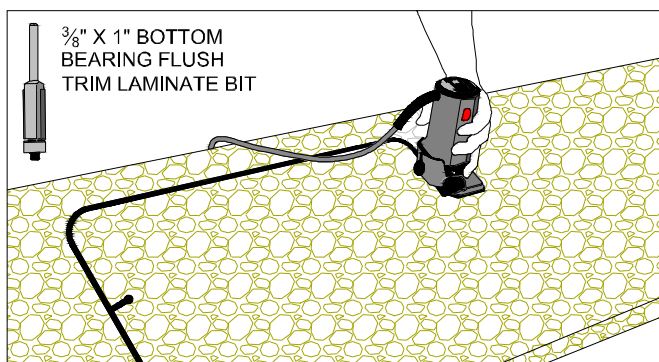


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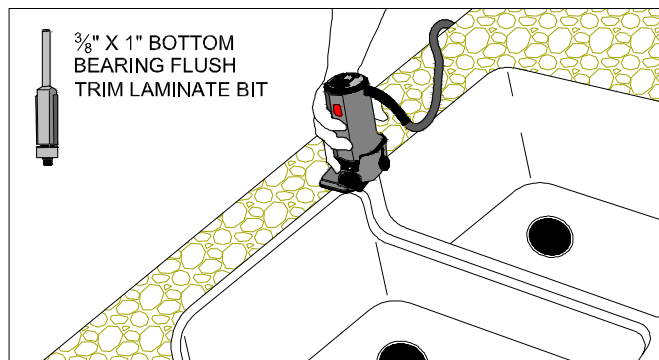


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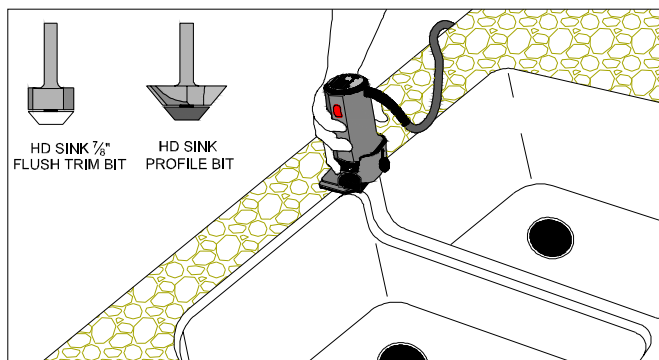


Figure 17D

## Custom Tops - Filler Method (cont')

### Finishing

- Sand the edge of the laminate and sink wall with a random orbital palm sander. Use a 150 to 220 grit sandpaper. (FIG. 18A)
  - Use only light to medium pressure when sanding.
  - Keep sander at same angle as sink wall.
  - Keep sander moving to minimize the chance of dips or over sanding one area.
- Finish sanded area with a gray 3M® Scotch-Brite® pad.
  - Use only light to medium pressure in a circular motion.
- Soften the sharp edge of the laminate with a laminate file. (FIG. 18B)

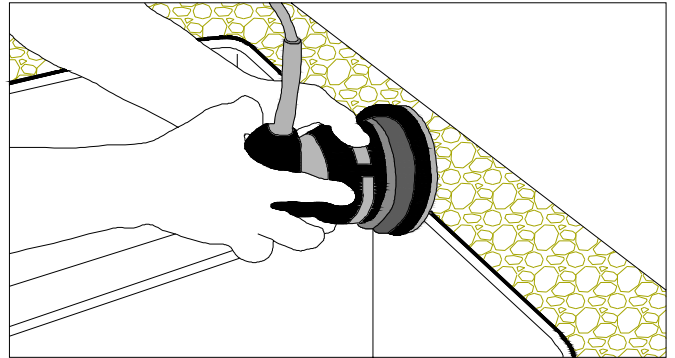


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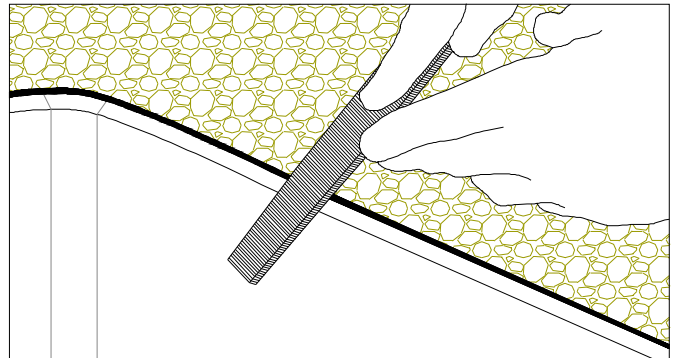


Figure 18B

## Custom Tops - Spray Method

The following spray method is an alternative that can be used to install a Wilsonart HD sink into a countertop that does not already have the laminate bonded to the substrate.

### Prepare the Substrate

- Draw the sink location on the substrate with a vertical and horizontal cross hair. (FIG. 19A)
- Position sink on substrate, align register marks on the flange with the centerlines.
- With a pencil, trace the sink perimeter leaving an  $\frac{1}{8}$ " gap between the pencil line and the rim of the sink. (FIG. 19B)
- Remove the sink.
- Using a jig saw, cut the substrate along the pencil outline of the sink. (FIG. 19C)
  - Keep the cutout for laminate bonding process.
- Place substrate with cutout on the laminate to be bonded.
- With a pencil, trace the inside perimeter of cutout onto the back side of the laminate to be bonded. (FIG. 19D)
  - Once done, remove the laminate.
- Center sink upside down in cutout.
  - Insure there is an  $\frac{1}{8}$ " gap between the sink flange and the substrate.

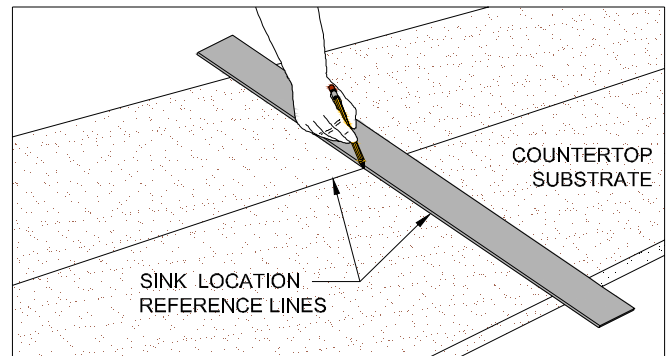


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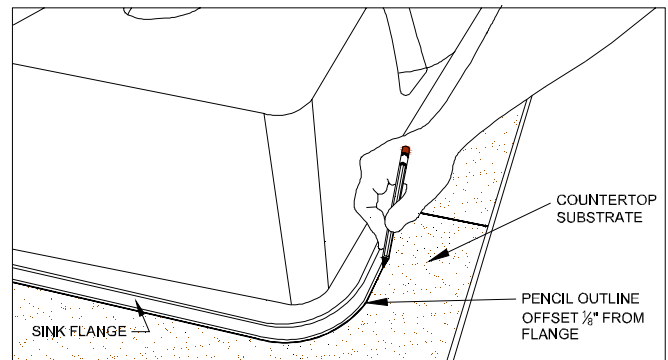


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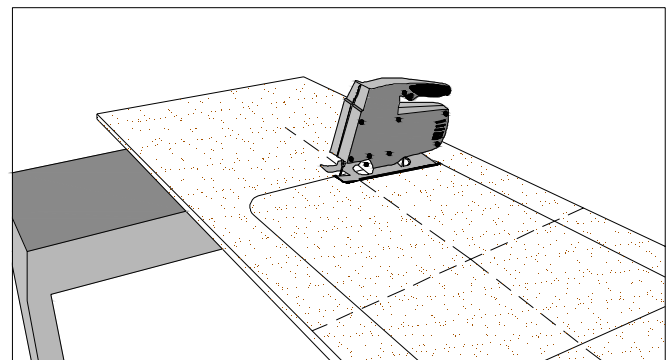


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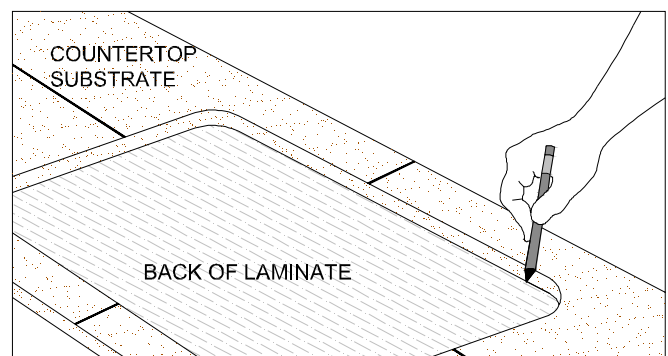


Figure 19D



## Custom Tops - Spray Method (cont')

### Bonding Process

- Place the substrate cutout of the sink on the backside of the laminate. (FIG. 20A)
  - Align the cutout with the penciled outline to eliminate applying contact adhesive in this area.
- Apply contact adhesive per manufacturer's recommendations to the back side of the laminate. (FIG. 20A)
- Apply contact adhesive on the substrate per manufacturer's recommendations. (FIG. 20B)
- Bond laminate to substrate using the manufacturer's recommendations and procedures. (FIG. 20C)

### Dry Fit Sink

- Place sink in cutout
  - Insure sink flange does not extend above substrate.
  - Do not exceed a  $\frac{1}{8}$ " gap between the sink flange and the substrate.
- If not flush with substrate;
  - Re-trim as directed on page 2 of this manual or
  - Use belt sander or surface leveler to remove excess flange.
- Drill a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " or larger pilot hole approximately 2" from inside edge of sink cutout. (FIG. 20D)
  - Do not drill pilot hole over faucet deck area.

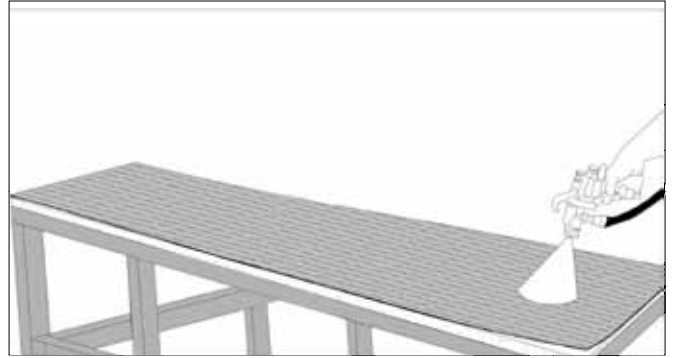


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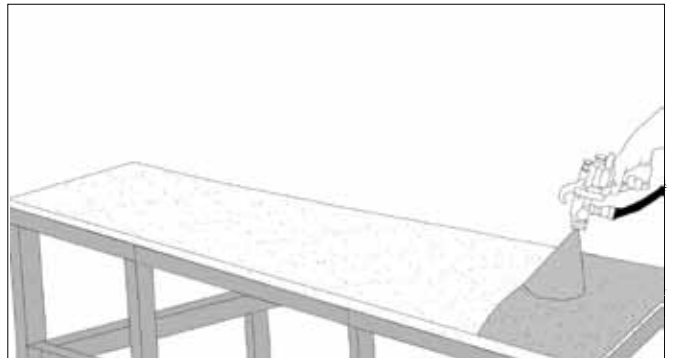


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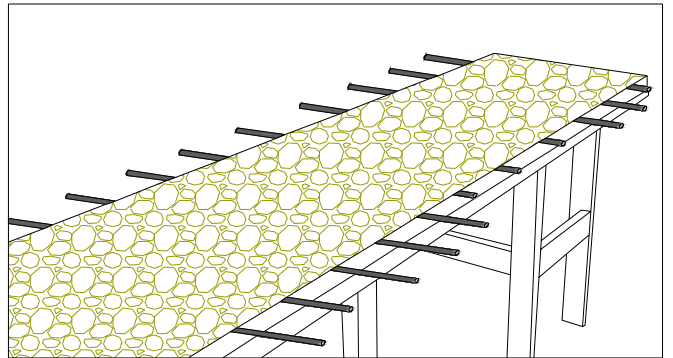


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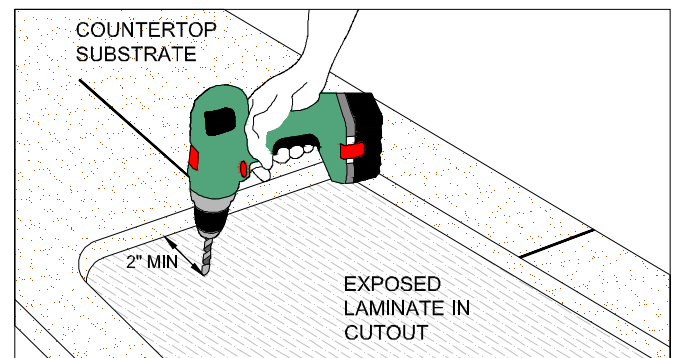


Figure 20D

## Custom Tops - Spray Method (cont')

### Bonding Process

- Clean the sink flange and exposed laminate with denatured alcohol and a clean white cloth. (FIG. 21A)
  - Prepare the Sink Adhesive to bond the sink to the laminate.
- Apply the Sink Adhesive to the sink flange. (FIG. 21B)
  - Apply one  $\frac{3}{16}$ " bead of adhesive  $\frac{1}{16}$ " from the inside edge of sink flange.
- Place the sink in the cutout and move sink to spread the sink adhesive and apply firm pressure for 5 to 10 seconds.
  - No weight is necessary.
- Align sink with register marks on flange and reference lines on the substrates.
- Fill gap between sink rim and substrate with 100% silicone. (FIG. 21C)
- Allow the sink adhesive to cure completely before moving or routing.
- Place  $\frac{3}{4}$ " thick wood support strips around entire perimeter of sink flange. (FIG. 21D)
  - Minimum 2" wide strips are required.
  - Strips should cover only the area of the flange that was previously trimmed.
  - In the front and back of the sink, they should extend over the substrate to cover the entire area inside the cabinet base.
  - Secure with wood glue and properly sized screw or nails.

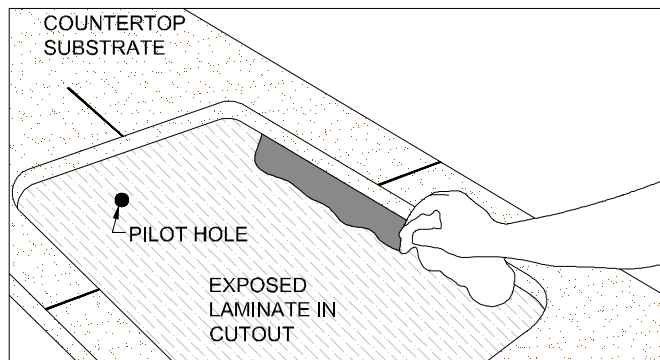


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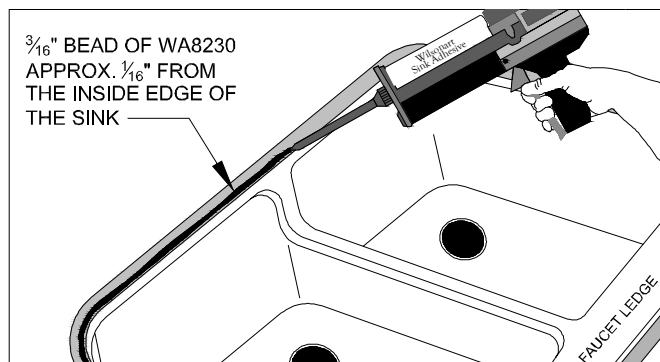


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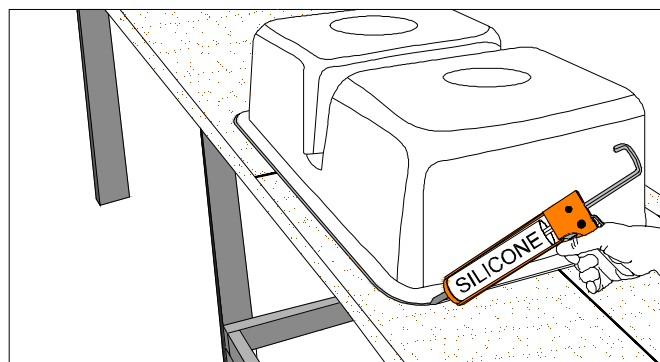


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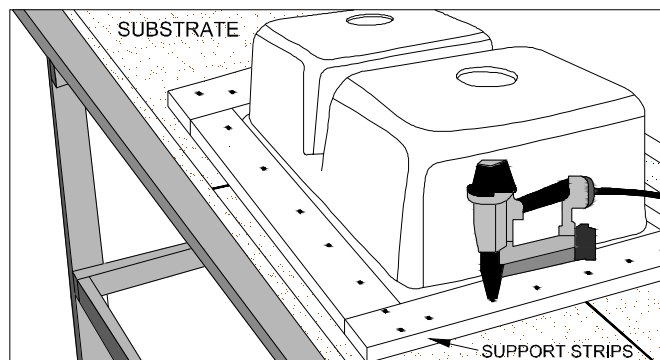


Figure 21D



## Custom Tops - Spray Method (cont')

### Routing & Profiling the Sink

#### Routing Precautions

- Set depth of bit so that it does not come in contact with the sink plumbing ledge.
- Support the laminate cutout during the routing process.
- Do not allow laminate to sag and drop between the carbide and the bearing.
- Set depth of bits so that they do not come in contact with the sink plumbing ledge.
- Using a variable speed router set at 16,000 to 18,000 rpm will prolong the life of the carbide router bits.
- Clean and lubricate bits after each use.

#### Countertop without an attached backsplash

- Use a laminate tilt-base trim router with a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " bottom bearing double-fluted flush trim bit, remove the laminate over the sink. (FIG. 22A)
  - First pass, set the angle of the base at approximately  $35^{\circ}$  -  $40^{\circ}$
  - Set depth of bit so that it does not come in contact with the sink plumbing ledge.
- Adjust the laminate tilt-base trim router with a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " bottom bearing flush trim bit. (FIG. 22B)
  - Second pass, set the angle of the base at approximately  $45^{\circ}$  to  $48^{\circ}$ .
  - Set bearing to run along bevel of sink.
- Route around the inside of the sink.
  - Remember to rotate the router base in corners to properly follow the radius and eliminate router chatter.

#### Countertops with an attached backsplash

Due to limited space between the sink and the backsplash, Wilsonart suggests the following procedures.

- Use a laminate trim router with the bottom bearing flush trim bit and flush trim the overhanging laminate. (FIG. 22C)
- Use a laminate trim router with the sink profile bit, profile the edge of the laminate with the angle of the sink. (FIG. 22C)

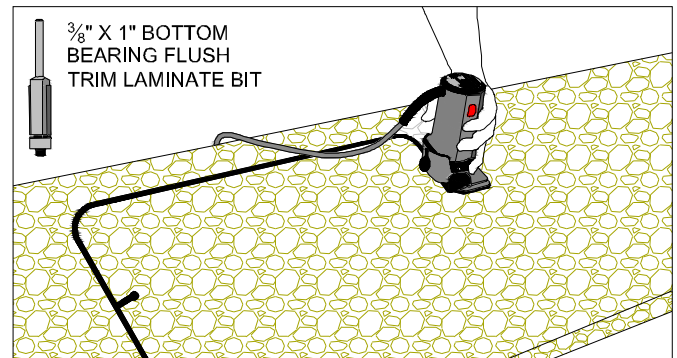


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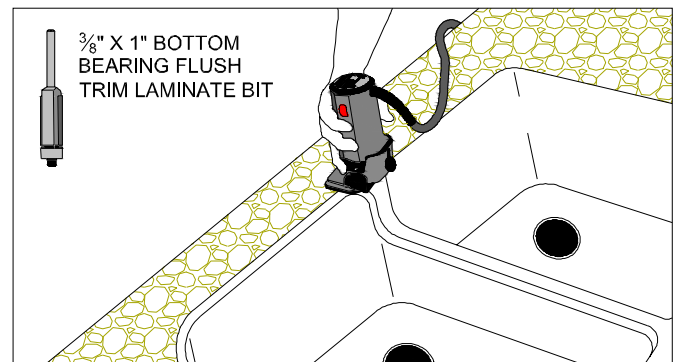


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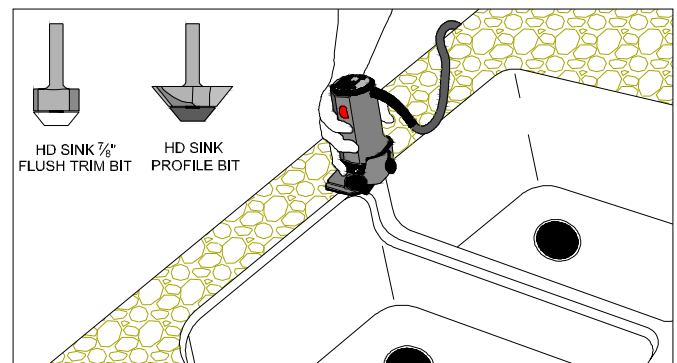


Figure 22C

## Custom Tops - Spray Method (cont')

### Finishing

- Sand the edge of the laminate and sink wall with a random orbital palm sander. Use a 150 to 220 grit sandpaper. (FIG. 23A)
  - Use only light to medium pressure when sanding.
  - Keep sander at same angle as sink wall.
  - Keep sander moving to minimize the chance of dips or over sanding one area.
- Finish sanded area with a gray 3M® Scotch-Brite® pad.
  - Use only light to medium pressure in a circular motion.
- Soften the sharp edge of the laminate with a laminate file. (FIG. 23B)

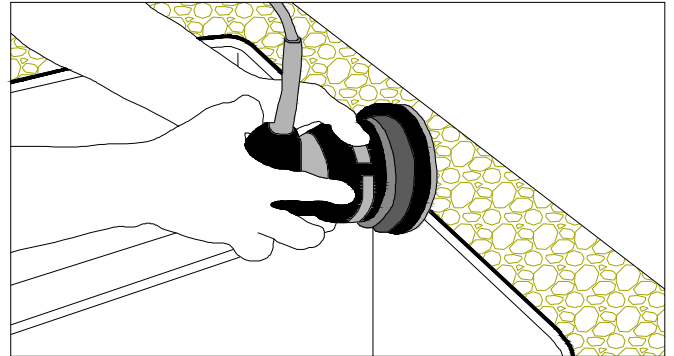


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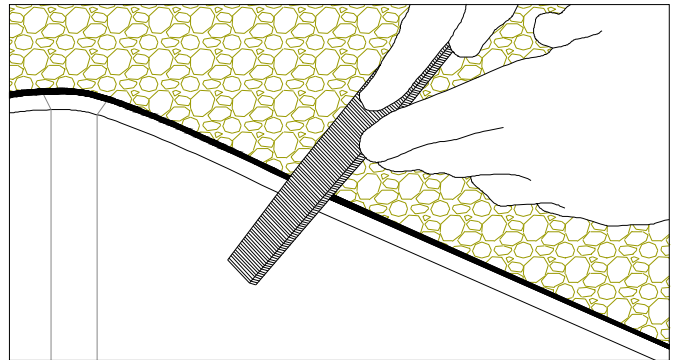


Figure 23B

## HD® Two Part Sink Template

The following details one method to construct a two part template for removing the substrate on a pre-bonded or postform laminate top to accept a Wilsonart HD sink.

- The template should be constructed of flat, sturdy material such as MDF or phenolic board.
- The length and width should be sized to adequately support a 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ " HP router.
- Pencil alignment centerlines on the center of the template material.
  - Include both vertical & horizontal alignment marks. (FIG. 24A)
- Position Sink on substrate, align registration marks on the sink with the centerlines.
- With a pencil, trace the outline of the sink, leaving an  $\frac{1}{8}$ " gap between the pencil line and the flange of the sink. (FIG. 24B)
- Using the dimensions indicated on page 9, Figure 9C for the appropriate gap dimensions, measure and pencil in the line for the inner template. (FIG. 24C)
  - There should be approximately 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ " gap between the inner template and outer template lines.
- Cut or route along the inner line drawn on the template material. (FIG. 24D)
- Rough cut along the pencil reference marks of the inner template.
- Using a disk sander, sand down the edges of the inner template to the pencil reference marks.
- Using 100 micron (150 grit) sand paper, smooth the edges of both templates.
- Drill countersink screw holes and place routing direction arrows on finished template as indicated.

Phenolic templates are available through your local Wilsonart Distributor.

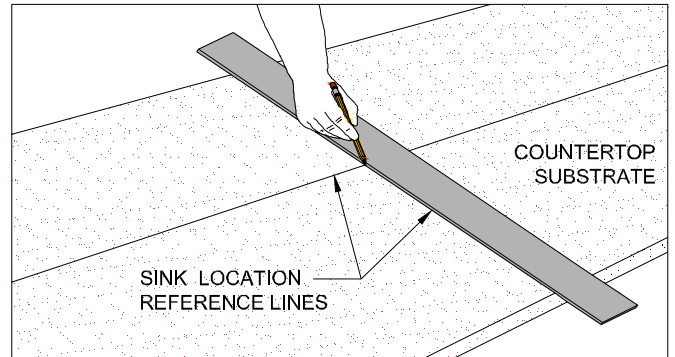


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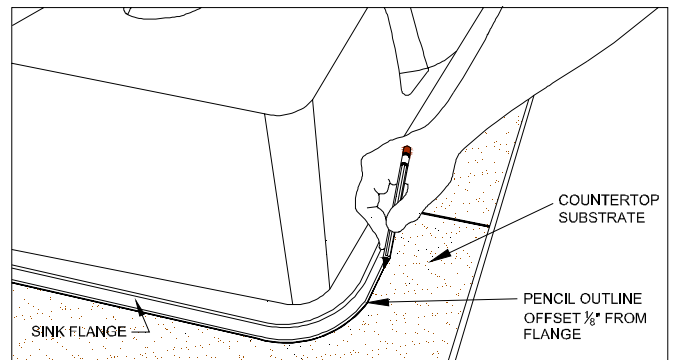


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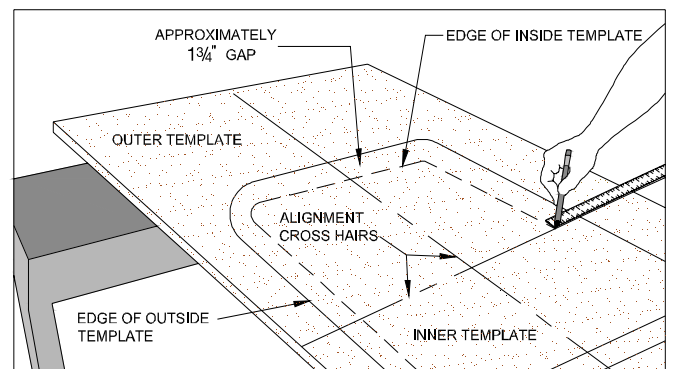


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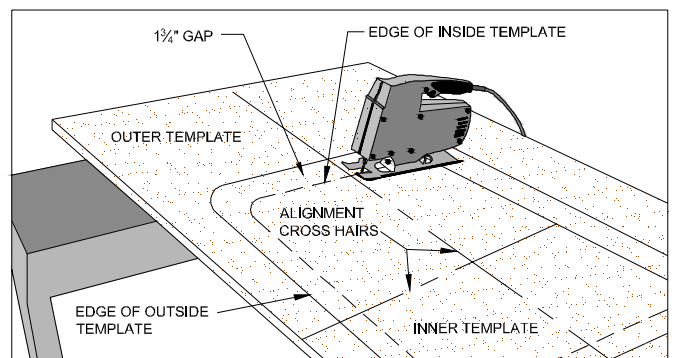


Figure 24D

## Installation Tips

### Plumbing Holes

In an effort to minimize and/or eliminate moisture issues with a wood core substrate, four plastic sleeves for plumbing holes have been included in all the Wilsonart® Sink boxes except for sinks that contain a plumbing ledge.

The following recommendations should provide protection for the substrate against moisture.

- Once the faucet and any additional plumbing holes have been drilled, completely seal the exposed substrate with 100% silicone. (FIG. 25A)
  - Silicone should seal around the top and bottom of the plumbing hole and extend approximately  $\frac{1}{8}$ " from the edge.
- After applying the 100% silicone, install the plastic sleeve into the plumbing hole and press firmly in place. (FIG. 25B & FIG. 25C)
- Wipe excess silicone away from cap of the sleeve.
  - The silicone must provide a complete seal around cap of the sleeve. (FIG. 25D)

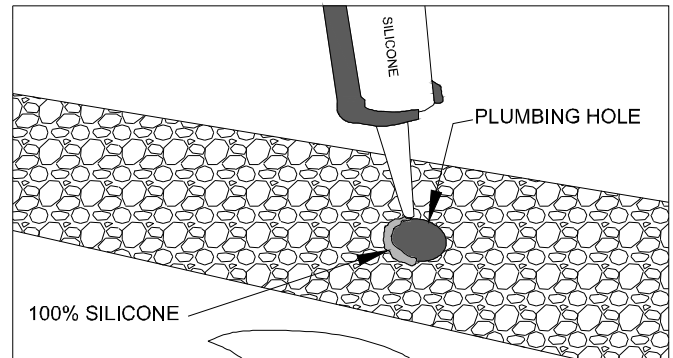


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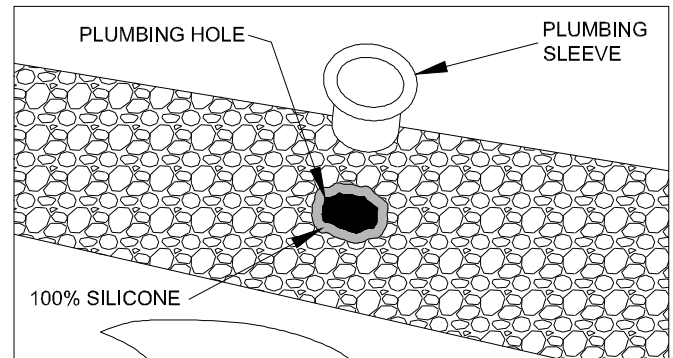


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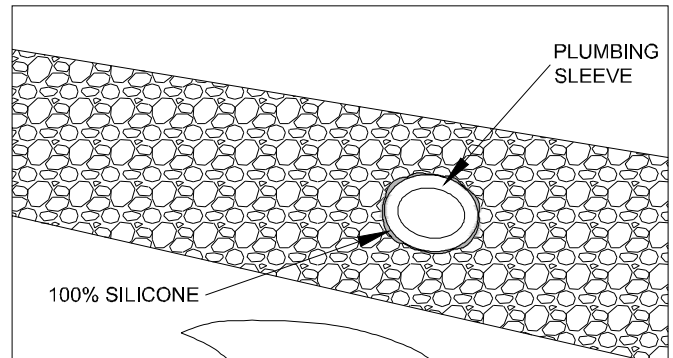


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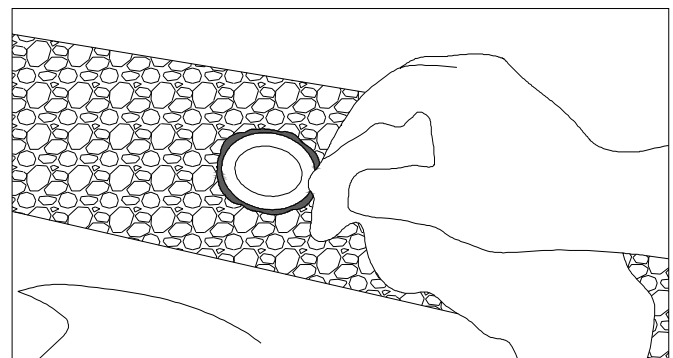


Figure 25D

## Postform / Pre-Bonded Laminate Tops

The following process was developed by Wilsonart to install a Wilsonart® Solid Surface Sink Ring into a postform or prebonded laminate top.

### For the “Filler Method”

- Follow instructions for sink installation instruction on pages 14-18 of this manual.

### For the “Spray Method”

- Follow instructions for sink installation instruction on pages 19-23 of this manual.

### Prepare the Wilsonart Sink Ring

- Measure the ring in both directions. (FIG 26A)
  - Draw alignment marks at the center of all four sides.

### Prepare the Substrate

- Locate where the ring is to be installed into the substrate and draw alignment centerlines. (FIG. 26B)
- Make a two part template to route the countertop substrate. (FIG. 26C)
  - See page 24 for instructions to make a two part template.
  - Use a  $1\frac{7}{8}$ " gap between templates.
- Align the alignment centerlines of the template with those on the countertop substrate.
  - Fasten securely to the substrate with screws.
- Index a  $3\frac{1}{4}$  HP or  $2\frac{1}{2}$  HP plunge router with a  $1\frac{1}{8}$  x 1" top bearing flush trim router bit to remove the substrate. (FIG. 26D)
  - Set the cutting depth to route within  $\frac{1}{32}$ " of the laminate.
  - Adjust the depth to include the thickness of the template and the countertop substrate.
  - Do not set routing depth to reach the laminate.
  - Substrate and adhesive thickness variation may allow damage to the laminate if routing depth is set too deep.

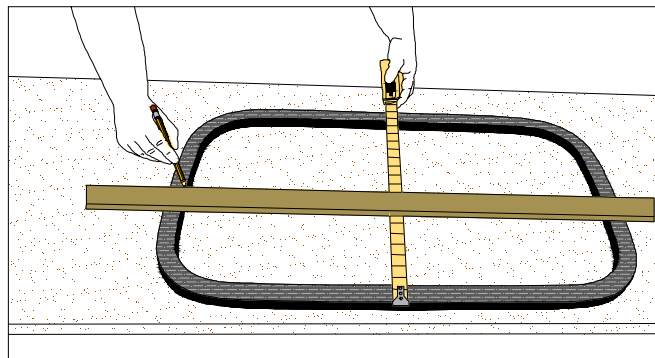


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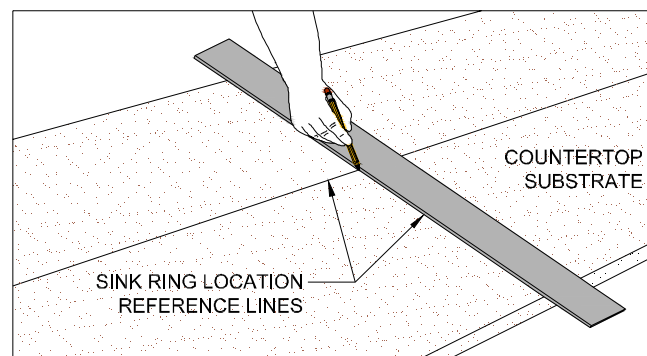


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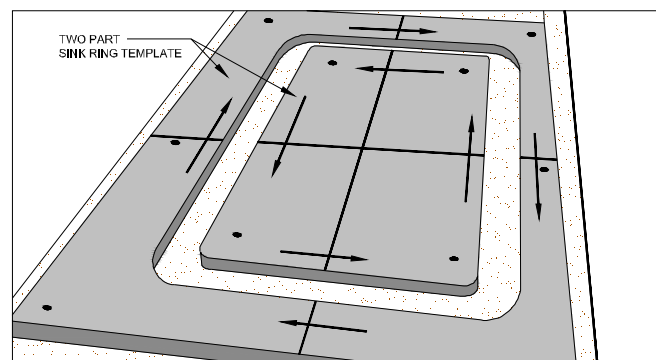


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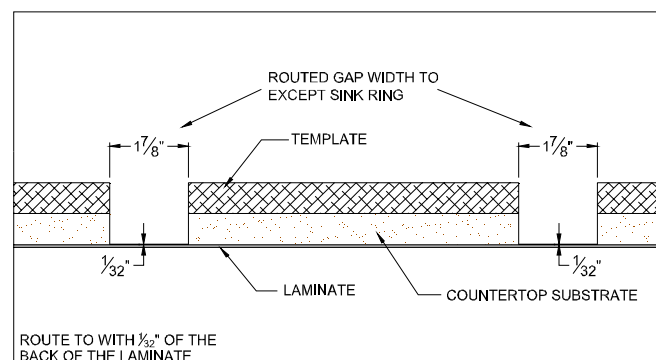


Figure 26D

## Postform / Pre-Bonded Laminate Tops (cont')

- Route along the template in the direction indicated.
  - Gradually remove all substrate between the two part template. (FIG. 27A)
- Once this step is complete, there should be approximately  $\frac{1}{32}$ " of substrate remaining to be removed.
- Remove the template from the countertop substrate.
- Using a sharp chisel remove the remaining substrate and adhesive layer from the back of the laminate.
  - Keep chisel flat, beveled side up, so as not to damage laminate. (FIG. 27B)
- Using a wire brush remove any remaining substrate or adhesive residue from the exposed laminate. Blow off all residue with compressed air. (FIG. 27C)
  - Do not use adhesive solvents which may saturate the substrate or degrade the bond between the laminate and the substrate.
- Drill a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " or larger pilot hole through the substrate at the inside of the sink cutout to insert a laminate trim bit to cutout center piece. (FIG. 27D)

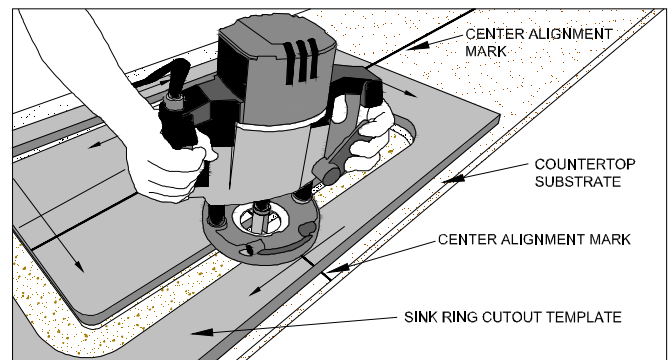


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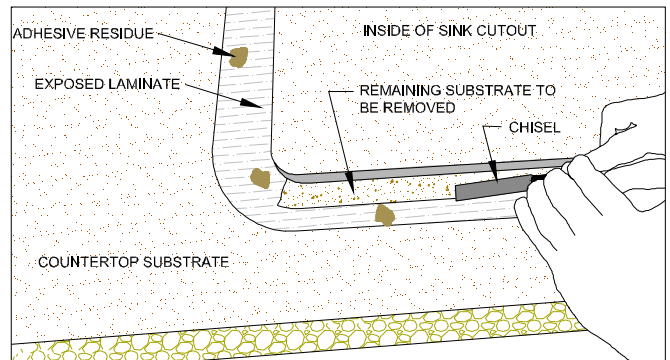


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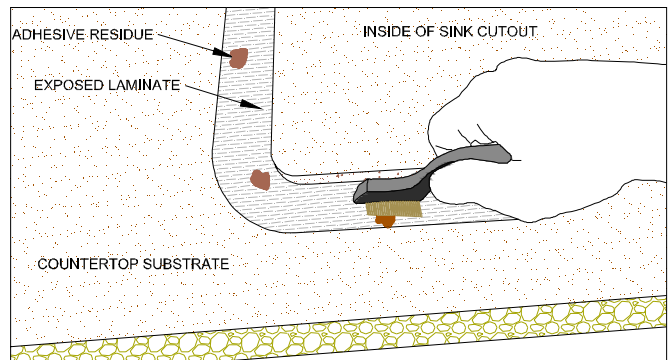


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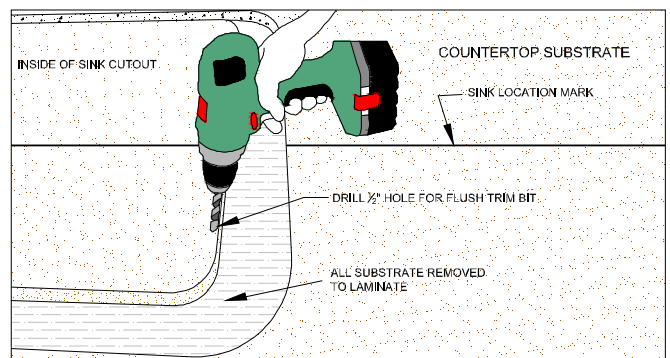


Figure 27D



## Postform / Pre-Bonded Laminate Tops (cont')

- Dry fit the sink ring in cutout.
- Align ring with alignment marks on the ring and substrate.

### Bonding Process

- Clean the sink ring and exposed laminate with denatured alcohol and a clean white cloth.
- Prepare the Sink Adhesive to bond the sink ring to the laminate.
- Apply the Sink Adhesive to the sink ring (FIG. 28A)
  - Apply one  $\frac{3}{16}$ " bead of adhesive around the inside perimeter of the sink ring.
- Place the sink ring in the cutout and move ring to spread the sink adhesive.
- Align sink with register marks on flange and reference lines on the substrates.
- Apply pressure directly to the sink ring. (FIG. 28B)
  - Place a sheet of particle board sized to cover the entire ring.
- Place weight on particle board cover. (FIG. 28B)
  - 10 lbs. per drain hole.
  - Insure weight is evenly applied on cover board.
- Fill gap between sink rim and substrate with 100% silicone. (FIG. 18C)
- Allow adhesive to cure completely before moving or routing.

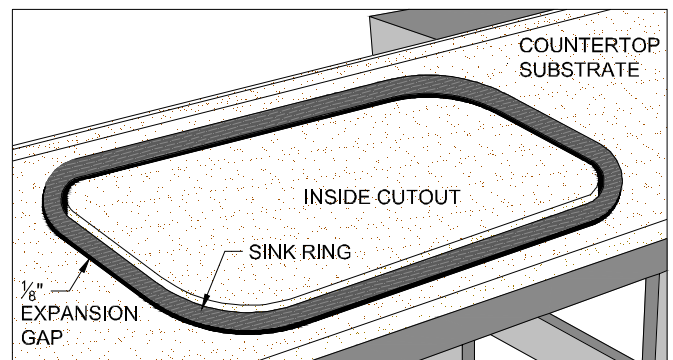


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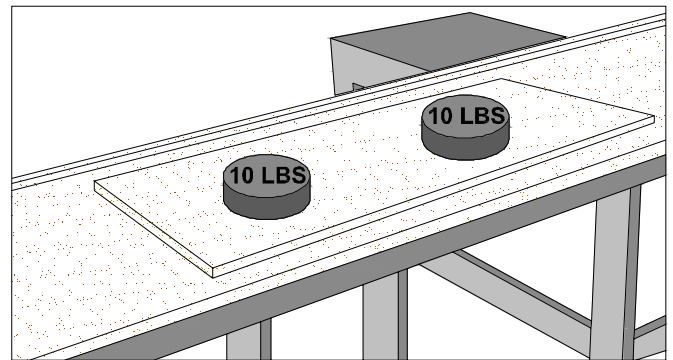


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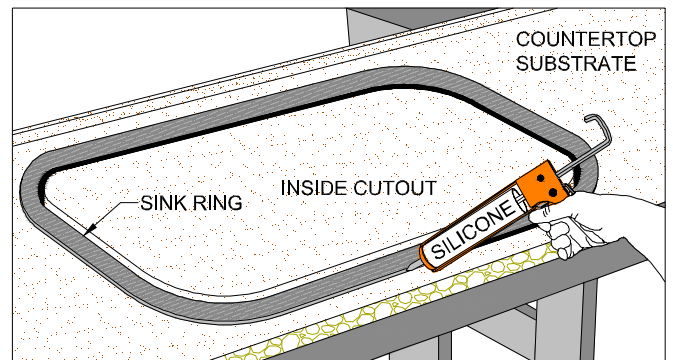


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## Postform / Pre-Bonded Laminate Tops (cont')

### Routing & Finishing

- Once the adhesive has completely cured, flip top so laminate is facing up.
- Use a laminate trim router with a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " bottom bearing flush trim bit. (FIG. 29A)
- Route around the inside of the sink ring. (FIG. 29A)
- Sand the edge on the laminate and sink ring with a random orbital sander. (FIG. 29B)
  - ☐ Use 150 grit sand paper to remove scratches on the ring.
  - ☐ Then use 220 grit paper for consistent finish.

### Pencil Edge

- Soften the sharp edge of the laminate with a laminate file.
  - ☐ Lightly file at a 45° angle. (FIG. 29C)
- Finish sanded sink ring with a gray 3M® Scotch-Brite™ pad.
  - ☐ Use only light to medium pressure in a circular motion.

### Profiled Edge

- Route desired profile. (FIG. 29D)
  - ☐ Set the profile bit to provide a 90° angle at the edge of the laminate.
  - ☐ Do not round over the edge of the laminate.
- Finish routed profile.
  - ☐ Use a 220 grit sponge sanding pad.
  - ☐ Finish with a 320 grit sponge sanding pad.
  - ☐ Use only light to medium pressure with sanding.
- Adhere stainless steel sink to Wilsonart Sink Ring with 100% silicone.
- For best results, rebate wood support strips or wood support one-piece halo approximately  $\frac{3}{32}$ ". Wood supports should support stainless steel flange and be flush with underside of countertop substrate. Secure to substrate with wood glue and properly sized nails or wood screws. Other option: apply metal clips every 6"-8" with wood screws. Do not over tighten as it may cause warpage or uneven appearance to surface.

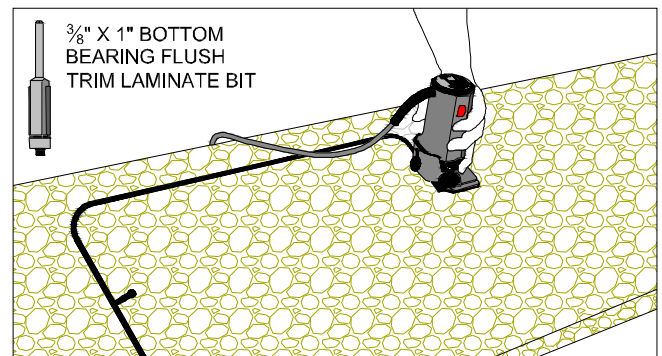


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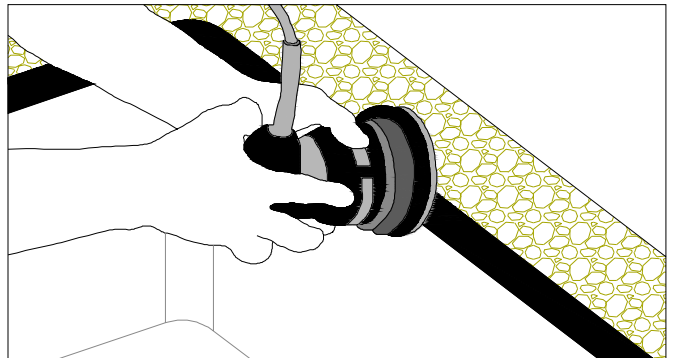


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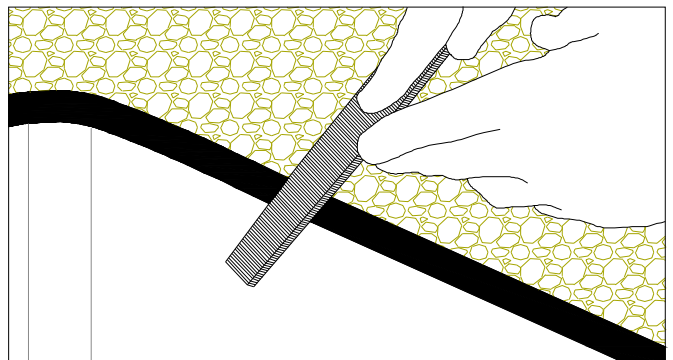


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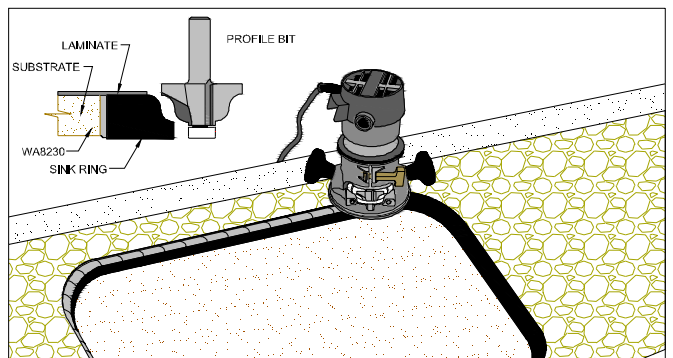


Figure 29D



## Durasteel™ Self-Rimming Sink Installation

### Helpful Tools (FIG. 30A)

- 1) Drill with  $\frac{3}{8}$ " drill bit
- 2) Jig Saw
- 3) Long shank slotted screwdriver
- 4) Pencil
- 5) Caulking gun with 100% silicone
- 6) 150 Grit sandpaper
- 7) Safety glasses

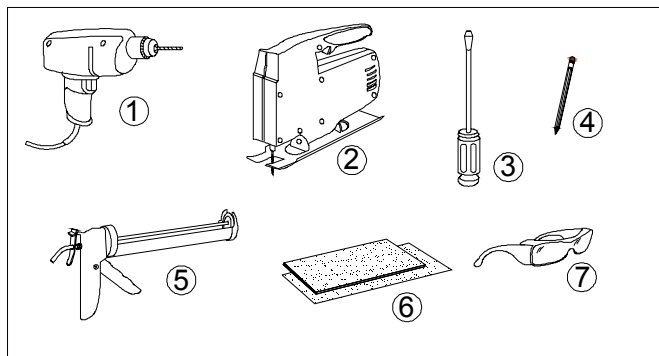


Figure 30A

### Installation Instructions

- Position sink upside down on countertop in desired position. Holding the sink in place, trace completely around outside of sink rim. (FIG. 30B)
  - Caution: Make sure the cutout will clear drawer openings and any partitions.
  - Do not use an indelible permanent marker or other product that can't be erased or removed later.
- Remove sink.
- Using a ruler, measure  $\frac{1}{4}$ " inside the sink rim outline and draw a line completely around the entire outline. (FIG. 30C)
  - The countertop will be cut  $\frac{1}{4}$ " inside the sink rim outline.
  - The  $\frac{1}{4}$ " measurement inside the sink rim outline is critical to allow adequate sink support and clearance for the securing hardware.
- Drill a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " diameter hole along the inside edge of the cutout line for the jig saw blade.
- Using the jig saw, cut along the cutout line. (FIG. 30D)
  - Caution: Make sure to follow the cutout line otherwise the sink may not properly fit or be adequately supported.
  - Brace the portion of the cutout to be removed to avoid damage to the edge of the cutout and the jig saw as the cutout separates from the countertop.

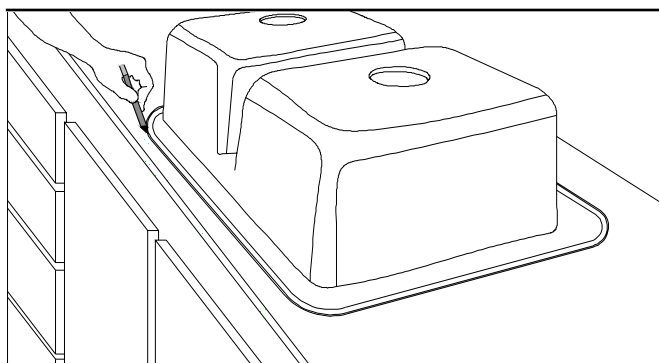


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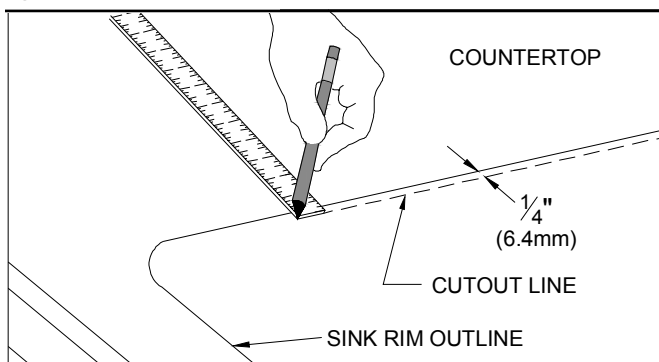


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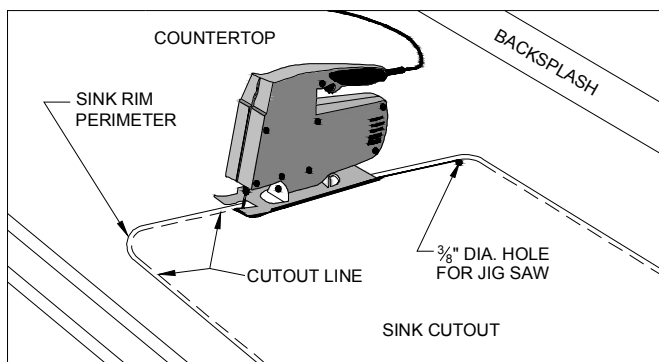


Figure 30D

## Durasteel™ Self-Rimming Sink Installation

### Sink Installation

- Apply an  $\frac{1}{8}$ " to  $\frac{1}{4}$ " bead of 100% silicone around the entire cutout approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the edge of the cutout. (FIG. 31A)
  - Caution: Excessive silicone will cause difficulty to properly seal the sink cutout and clean up.
- Prior to setting the sink, install attaching hardware into the securing channel under the rim of the sink.
  - 3 along the front and back
  - 2 along both sides
  - Thread screws into clamps as indicated in FIG. 31B
  - Slide screw head into channel from either open end and turn clamp sideways to clear edge of the cutout.
- Place sink into cutout and position clamps at each end of the channel and one in the center along all the front and back.
- Hand tighten clamps working from the center out.
  - Make sure to check sink is still positioned correctly.
- Tighten all clamps, working from the center out, an additional quarter turn with the slotted screwdriver. (FIG. 31C)
  - Do Not over tighten
  - Over tightened clamps can warp the sink causing an uneven appearance and an inadequate seal.

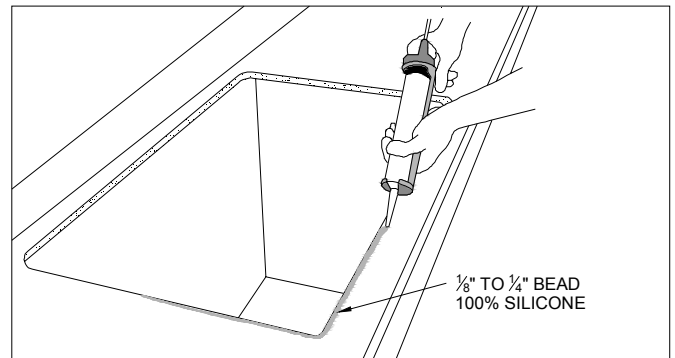


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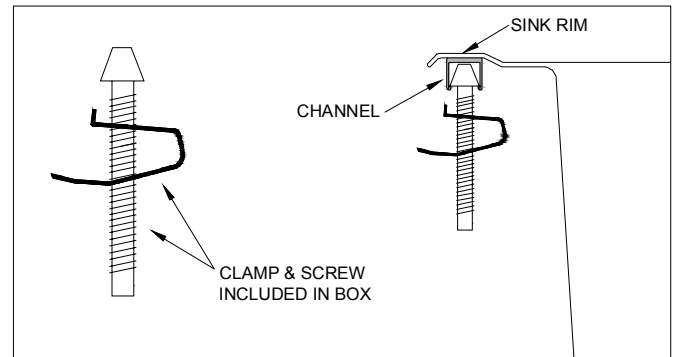


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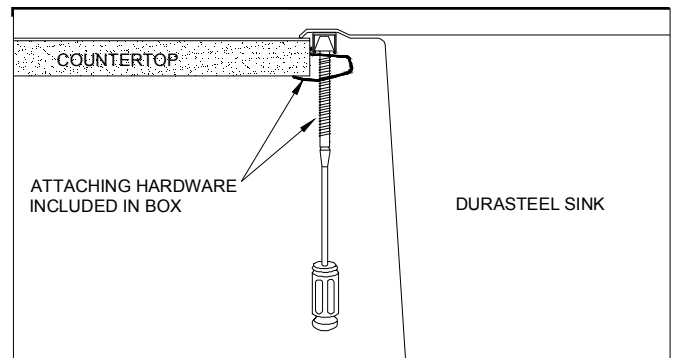


Figure 31C

## Durasteel™ Undermount Sink Installation

### Suggested Materials

There are various methods to attach a Durasteel undermount sink to a hard surface (i.e. Solid Surface, Granite, Quartz, etc.) countertop. Wilsonart suggests the following materials and tools for conventional fabrication to supply a properly installed stainless steel sink.

For automated routing equipment, please visit the Wilsonart B2B website or contact your local Wilsonart distributor representative for Durasteel sink DXF files.

### Materials

- ☐ Support clip (FIG. 32A)
  - Included in sink box
- ☐ Sink clip base plate and wing nut (FIG. 32A)
  - [www.rotaloc.com](http://www.rotaloc.com)
  - [www.specialtytools.com](http://www.specialtytools.com)
- ☐ 100% Clear Silicone (FIG. 32B)
- ☐ Seam Kit dispensing gun (FIG. 32B)

### Tooling

- ☐ Routers (FIG. 32C)
  - 3 1/2 HP with 1/2" (13mm) collet
  - 1 1/2 HP with 1/2" (13mm) collet
- ☐ General Router Bits (FIG. 32C)
  - 1" (25.4mm) Top bearing flush trim bit
  - Rounding over bit 1/4" (13mm) max.
- ☐ Jig Saw (FIG. 32D)
- ☐ Sanders
  - Random Orbital
  - Dust collection system (suggested)
  - Sanding Disks 150 and 220, 60 and 80 Micron
  - Scotch-Brite® pad #7448
- ☐ Clamps

**NOTE:** You may require different, more specialized tools to install this sink to countertop materials other than Wilsonart Solid Surface. Refer to countertop material manufacturers recommendations.

**WARNING:** When using electrical tools, please use caution to prevent electrical shock.

**CAUTION:** Always follow product, equipment and/or tool

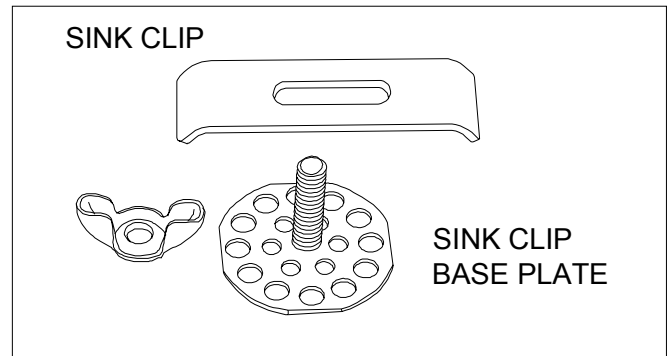


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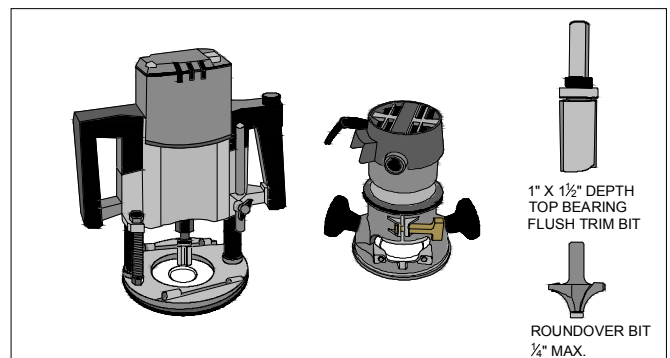


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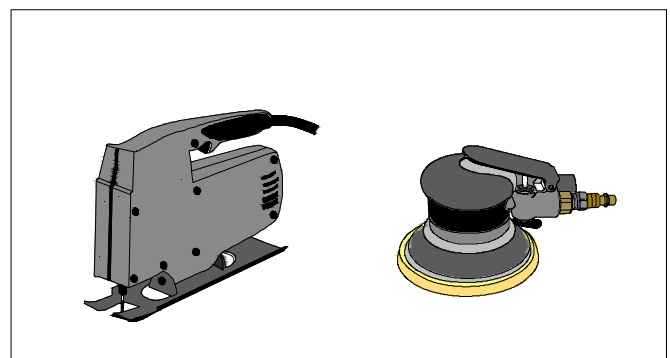


Figure 32D

## Durasteel™ Undermount Sink Installation

### Before You Begin

- Please refer to the Wilsonart Durasteel Sink Warranty for complete coverage details.
- For automated routing equipment, please visit the Wilsonart B2B website or contact your local Wilsonart distributor representative for Durasteel sink DXF files.
- Observe all local plumbing and building codes.
- Prior to installation, unpack the new sink and inspect it for damage. Return the sink to its carton until you are ready to install it.
- Plan the sink installation so future removal from underneath the countertop is possible without damaging the countertop.

### Sink Template (Conventional Fabrication)

- The template should be constructed of flat, sturdy material such as MDF or phenolic board.
- The length and width should be sized to adequately support a  $3\frac{1}{4}$  hp router.
- Draw alignment centerlines on the center of the template material.
  - ☐ Include both vertical & horizontal alignment marks. (FIG. 33A)
- Using the paper template provided in the sink box, select type cutout desired. (FIG. 33B)
  - ☐ Flushmount installation, use paper template as provided.
  - ☐ Reveal type installation, remove the perforated outer edge.
- Align paper template with centerlines on the MDF or solid phenolic core template material and trace outer edge. (FIG. 33C).
- Cut along the outline of the cutout. (FIG. 33D)
- Using 100 micron (150 grit) sand paper, smooth the edges of the template.

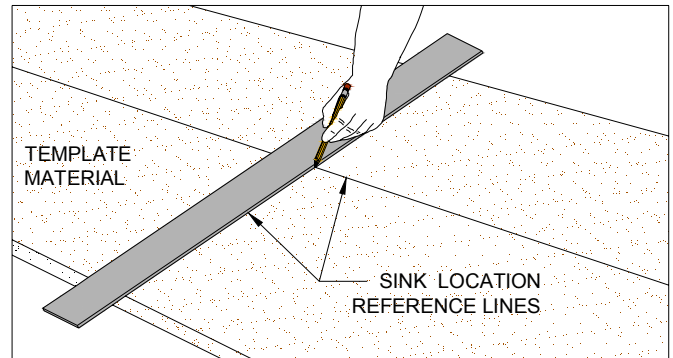


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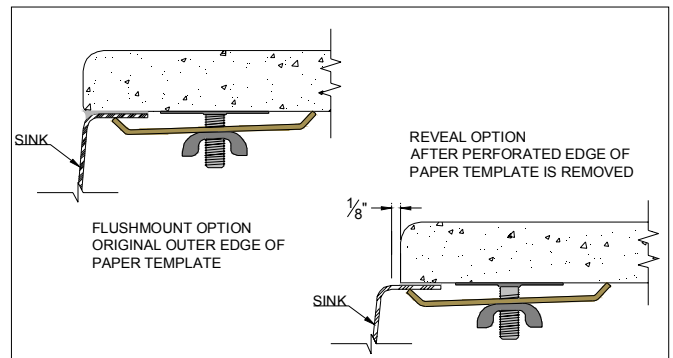


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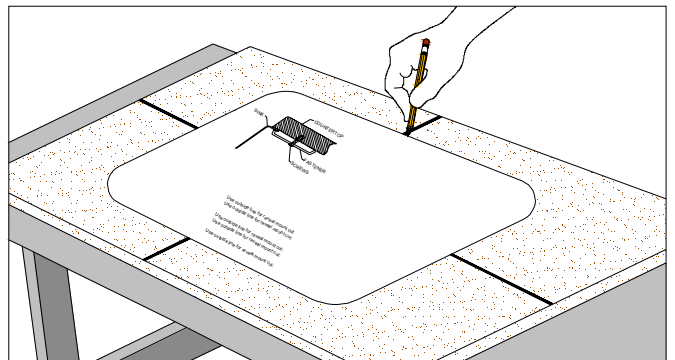


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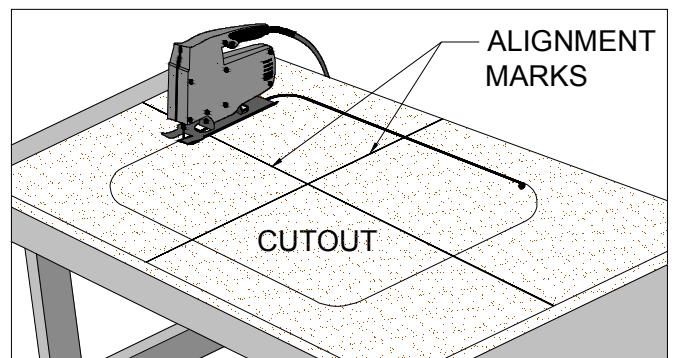


Figure 33D

## Durasteel™ Undermount Sink Installation

### Sink Cutout

- Locate where sink is to be installed on the top side of the countertop and draw reference lines. (FIG. 34A)
- Align the centerlines of the sink cutout template with the reference lines on countertop.
  - Fasten template securely to the countertop.
- Index a 3 $\frac{1}{4}$  HP or 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  HP plunge router with a 1" x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " top bearing flush trim router bit. (FIG. 34B)
- Route along templates in the direction indicated. (FIG. 34B)
- Once completed, remove sink cutout template.
- Profile top side of cutout.
  - Do not exceed  $\frac{1}{4}$ " radius for  $\frac{1}{2}$ " thickness.
- Sand the edge of the cutout with a random orbital sander. (FIG. 34C)
  - Begin with 180 grit (80 $\mu$  micron)
  - Continue with 220 grit (60 $\mu$  micron)
  - Keep sander moving to minimize the chance of dips or over sanding one area.
- Finish sanded area with a gray 3M® Scotch-Brite® pad.
  - Use only light to medium pressure in a circular motion.
- Flip countertop over facing down.

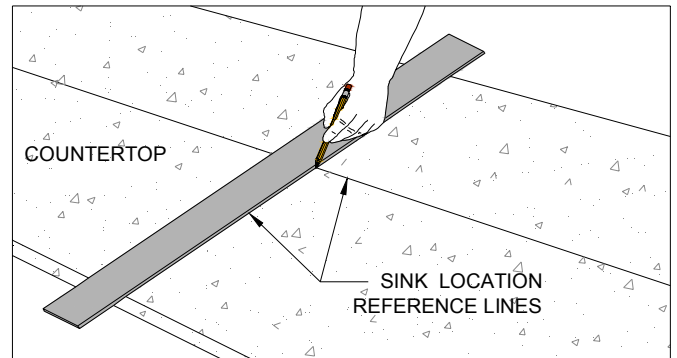


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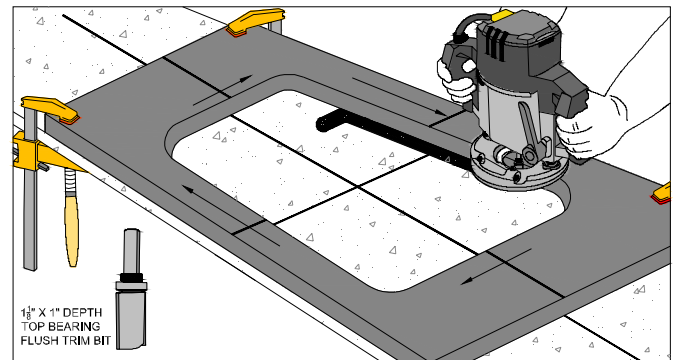


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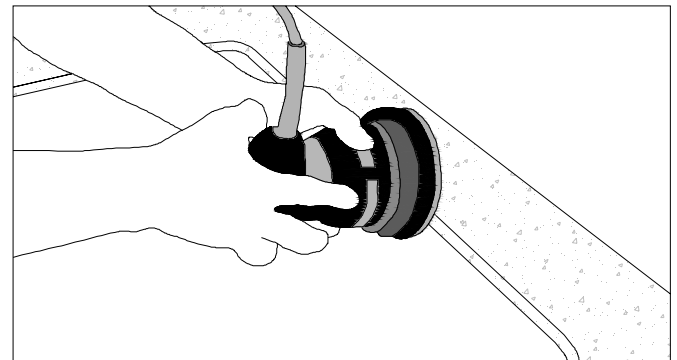


Figure 34C

## Durasteel™ Undermount Sink Installation

### Sink Installation

- Position and align sink over sink cutout.
- Locate sink clip bases around perimeter of sink flange and mark location with pencil. (FIG. 35A)
  - Equally space sink clip base plates along length and width of sink flange.
  - Locate base plates to allow sink clips to contact center of sink flange or closer to the sink well.
- Clean under side of countertop around sink perimeter with a nonabrasive cleaner. (FIG. 35B)
  - For solid surface use denatured alcohol and clean white cloth.
  - Do not use lacquer thinner, acetone or other solvents.
  - Colored or printed towels will contaminate the seam material and cause a weak or stained bond line.
  - For stubborn residue use a Scotch-Brite® pad and denatured alcohol.
- Apply ample WA 8215 where base plates were marked. (FIG. 35C)
- Place sink clip base plates into WA 8215. (FIG. 35D)
  - Insure WA 8215 completely covers base plate.
  - Apply additional WA 8215 as necessary to cove entire base plate.
- Allow adhesive to cure completely before continuing.

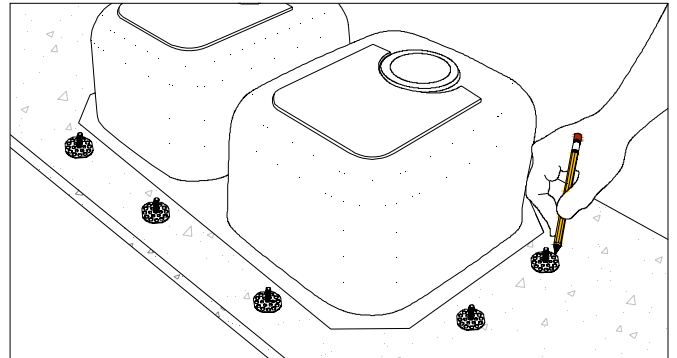


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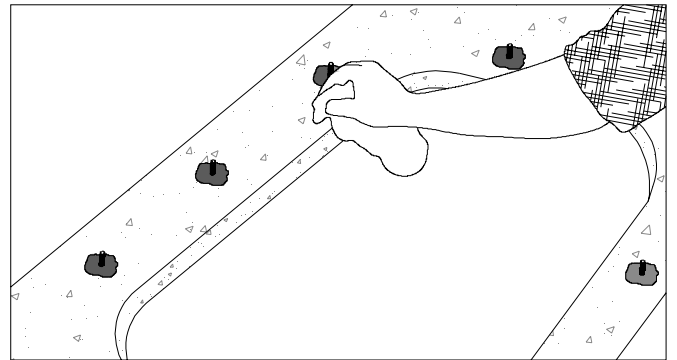


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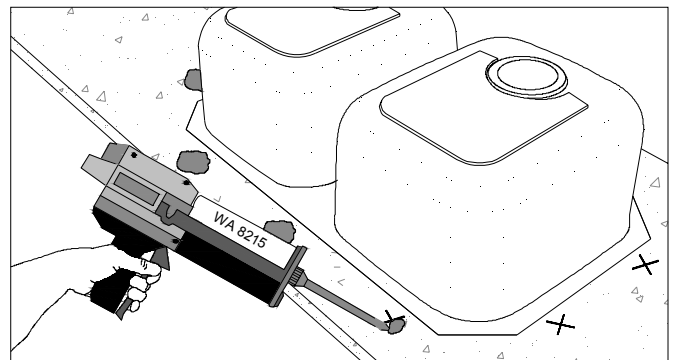


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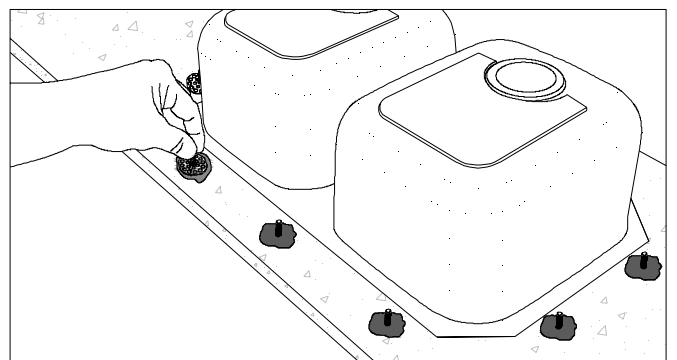


Figure 35D

## Durasteel™ Undermount Sink Installation

### Sink Installation

- Clean top of sink flange with denatured alcohol and clean whitecloth.
  - Make sure the surface is smooth, clean, and free of defects. (FIG. 36A)
- Apply a generous bead of 100% clear silicone to the top surface of the sink rim. (FIG. 36B)
  - To insure adequate seal, apply sufficient silicone to allow squeeze out around inside and outside sink perimeter.
- Reposition and align sink over sink cutout.
- Check the alignment of the sink with the cutout. Then securely tighten the clamps. (FIG. 36C)
  - Tighten only hand tight.
- Wipe away any excess silicone, and fill any voids as needed.
- Allow the silicone to cure before proceeding.

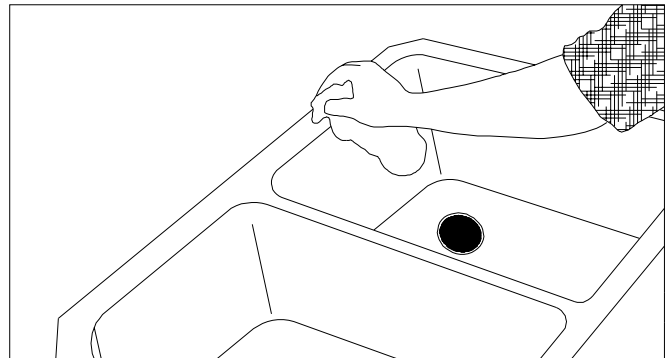


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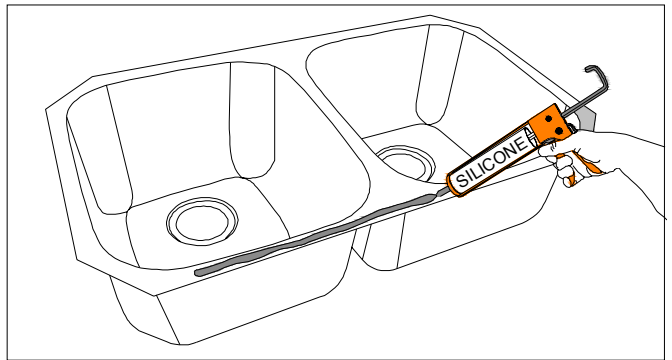


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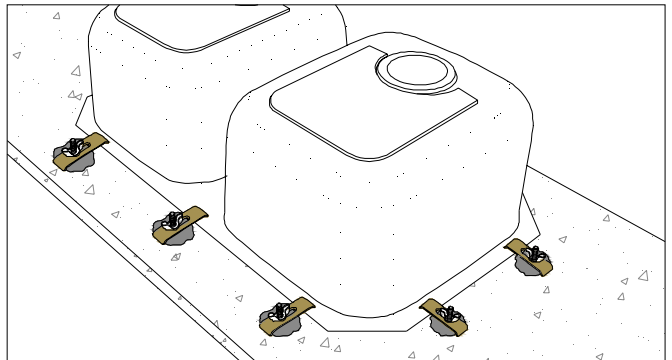


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