Window Installation

Check rough opening by measuring the top, middle,bottom and the height on both sides. If the measurements differ more than 1" cut filler strips to level or plumb the window jamb. Optimally you want a '4" gap all the way around the window using wooden shims to maintain spacing. If you are installing an outdoor exposed window use a self-adhering waterproof membrane and wrap the window overlapping about 12" at the corners of the windows. Add flashing where needed.





Next install the windows making sure that the gaps around the window are even, using shims to keep the window stationary. Then fasten the window in the shimmed areas with a nail or screw from behind the framing for a cleaner finish. Stuff the gap with insulation. Finally you may now trim out the window. If putting trim on the outside, first run a bead of silicone all the way around the wood window frame, also bead around the glass where it meets the frame & around the trim to keep moisture from penetrating into the wall.

