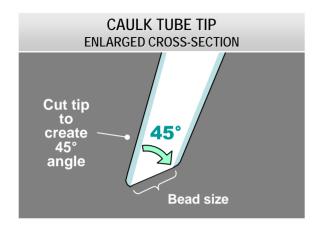
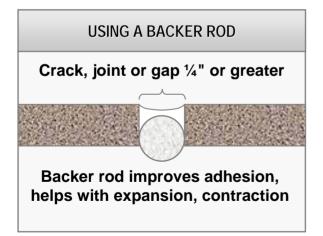
How to caulk outdoors





- Clean area with warm water—do not use soap. Remove all existing caulk, loose paint, dirt, mold/mildew, spider webs, and anything else that may reduce adhesion.
- 2. Surface must be dry and air and surface temperatures must be at least 65°F for 24 hours after application.
- Fill joints and deep cracks (>1/4" deep) with foam backer rod (see illustration). Use a primer for joints under heavy stress.
- 4. Cut the caulk tube at a 45° angle to create an applicator tip. Cut tip to create a 1/8" to 3/8" bead. Note: caulk shrinks as it dries.
- 5. Apply using a caulk gun with a continuous, even pressure. Hold the caulk gun at a 45° angle, pulling toward you, pushing the bead into the gap. Start at a corner and apply in one continuous, consistent bead to the next corner.
- 6. Smooth, or "tool," the bead to a concave shape using a caulk finishing tool or wet fingertip. Be careful only to shape the bead not remove it!
- 7. Allow to dry before priming or painting; check label for proper cure.



APPLY AT 45° ANGLE & PULL TOWARDS YOU

