**Slatwall Panel Installation Instructions**

Discount Shelving recommends a professional installation of slatwall panels, by a licensed and insured Professional General Commercial Contractor.

**If you install panels yourself here are some guidelines to follow:**

It is important to consult with your town or regional building codes in your area so that you obtain the proper permits or conducts. Please remember each slatwall panel is between 80-115 lbs. per panel. Proper installation of slatwall panels is critical for the safety of your employees and customers.

Panels should be installed with 2 1/2” to 3” long drywall screws into the wall studs. You can find these at a local hardware store. Next determine the type of wall stud material you are installing the slatwall panels to. They are either:

**Wooden Studs** – you will need coarse thread drywall black or galvanized screws shown here.

**Metal or Aluminum Studs** – Use self-tapping self drilling fine thread drywall screws shown here, this will grab the studs tighter.

**Masonry Walls** – If you are planning to install the slatwall panels into masonry walls, we suggest you frame the wall with wood studs or skin the wall with 3/4” plywood first. After this is complete, the slatwall panels can be attached to the wood studs or plywood wall.

Leveling each slatwall panel with a level is important. This will ensure proper butting up of each panel This will make all shelving and accessories will be level.
Discount Shelving Slatwall Recommendation Cutting Panels

All slatwall panels can be easily cut with a fine tooth plywood blade on a portable circular saw. Cut straight cuts from the back of the unfinished side of the slatwall panel. If you cut on the finished side of the slatwall panel you will damage the finish. For challenging cuts (curves, angles, electrical receptacles etc.), use a jig saw with a medium blade.

Installation Suggestions for Slatwall Panels once they are prepared to mount onto the wall

Remember always drill the screws through the slatwall panel grooves not into the the solid surface. Locate the studs on the wall before you start installing; this is very important. You should use a minimum of 16-20 screws per slatwall panel and screwed into every 4th or 5th groove vertically and into every stud horizontally. If you want a permanent installation you should use all purpose panel adhesive and apply to the back of each slatwall panel spread evenly. Slatwall panels that have metal inserts you must use a 2 1/2” to 3” pan head screws. You must first pre-drill a hole through the groove of the metal insert before screwing into the wall. Hint: When using an electric drill please use a long shaft bit to avoid damaging the surface.

We hope this slatwall panel instruction sheet will make your installation easy and simple, and that your business prospers from its usage. If there are any other questions, please don’t hesitate to call our Showroom 1-888-957-4353 or email us at customerservice@discountshelving.com. It is conveniently open Monday thru Friday 9 am to 5:30 pm to service you with any assistance installing your slatwall panels. We at Discount Shelving and Displays hope to continue being your store fixture and display supplier for years to come.

Best of Wishes and Good Luck!!!!!