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# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR BALCO, INC. 1420 SERIES GYMNASIUM FLOOR JOINT COVERS

# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR BALCO, INC. TYPE 1420 FLOOR EXPANSION JOINT COVERS

The following installation instructions are very important. Read them carefully, and be sure you understand them completely before you begin any work.

### STORAGE & HANDLING

The expansion joint covers are shipped unassembled. Store this product in the horizontal position in a clean, dry location. This is a finished product. Store this product in a protected area.

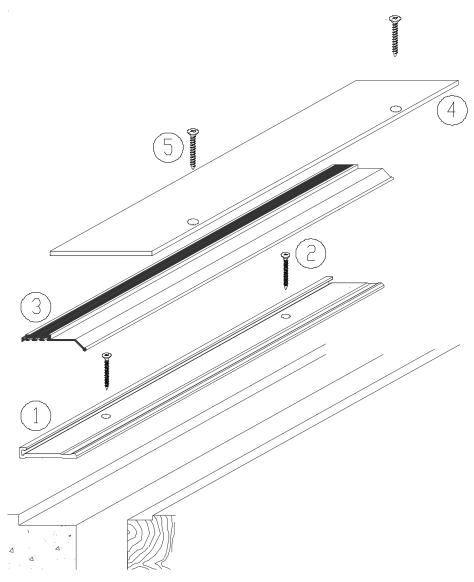


Figure 1

### **PARTS**

- Base Member Subchannel 1.
- 2. Fasteners
- 3. Filler Strip
- 4. Cover Plate
- Cover Plate Fasteners

### **TOOLS REQUIRED**

This is a list of tools and materials recommended for use in the installation of these joint systems. Tools and materials in this list are not provided by Balco, Inc.

- A. Drill Bits for Base Members (Metal).
- В. Drill Bits for Concrete (if required)
- C. Electric Drill
- Phillips Head Drill Bits D.
- Hand Nut Drivers and Hand Screw Drivers E.

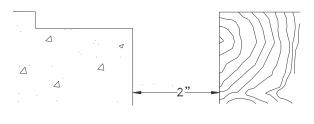
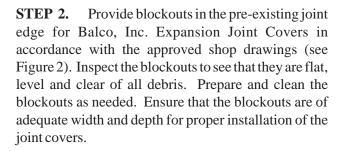


Figure 2

## **INSTALLATION**

These installation instructions are for use in the installation of expansion joint cover type 1420. The system is illustrated in Figure 1. The joint cover system shall be installed as follows:

Review Balco, Inc. approved shop STEP 1. drawings for types and locations.



Rout the wooden floor along the edge of STEP 3. the joint to the depth and the width indicated on the shop drawings (see Figure 3). Clean away all debris from the joint area.

STEP 4. Select a section of the base member subchannel. If the anchor holes have not been predrilled into the base members at the factory, mark the locations for the anchor holes on the base member (see Figure 4). Anchors are spaced 20" o.c. with anchors at a nominal 3" from either end of the base member.

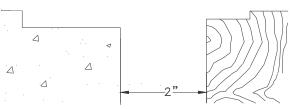


Figure 3

Figure 4

**STEP 5.** Drill the anchor holes into the base member sections at the marked locations. Repeat Step 4 and Step 5 for each subsequent section of the base member.

**STEP 6.** Select a section of the base member and place it into its installed position in the blockout. Ensure that the base member is level, plumb with the edge of the joint and properly aligned with the finished floor and with the corresponding cast-in-place base member installed earlier. Using the base member as a template, mark the location for the anchor holes on the concrete (see Figure 5).

**STEP 7.** Remove the base member from its installed position, and using a 5/32", or other size as appropriate, drill bit for concrete, drill the anchor holes at the marked locations. The anchor holes must be drilled a minimum of 1/4" deeper than the length of the anchors. Clean away all refuse and dust from the blockout.

**STEP 8.** Select the fasteners for the base member subchannel. Place the base member back into its installed position in the blockout, and attach the base member to the concrete, using the anchors provided by the factory (see Figure 6). Repeat Step 6 through Step 9 for each section of the base member subchannel.

**STEP 9.** Grout between the base member and the blockout edge using a non-shrink grout (by others; see Figure 7). Clean any excess grout from the exposed surfaces of the base members before it is allowed to set up.

**STEP 10.** Select a vinyl filler strip, and place the vinyl filler strip into its installed position on the base member. Trim the vinyl filler strip to the correct length for the joint cover system. Slide the filler strip's continuous tab into the base member's receiving channel (see Figure 8) continuously along the base member.

STEP 11. Select the cover plate. Place the cover plate into its installed position over the void. Ensure that the cover plate is level and properly aligned. Using the cover plate as a template, mark the locations for the fasteners on the routed area of the wooden floor (see Figure 9). Remove the cover plate from its installed position. Using the carbide bit provided by the factory, drill pilot holes for the fasteners into the floor at the marked locations. Clean away all refuse from the installation area.

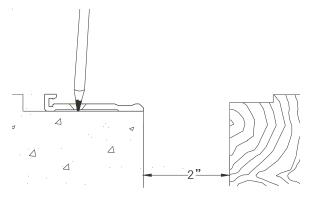


Figure 5

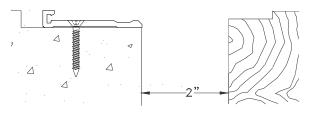


Figure 6

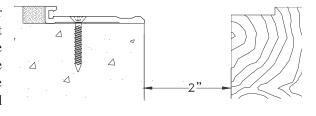


Figure 7

**STEP 12.** Place the cover plate back into its installed position and attach the cover plate to the base member using the fasteners provided by the factory (see Figure 10). Repeat the procedure in Step 9 through Step 12 for each section of the cover plate.

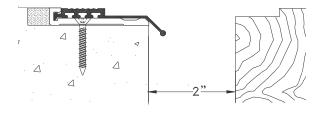


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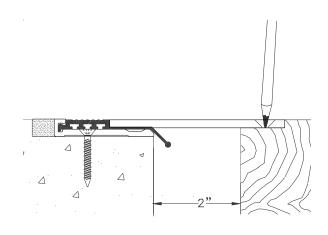


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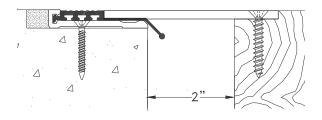


Figure 10

### WARRANTY POLICY

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"ILLUMI-TREAD"

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