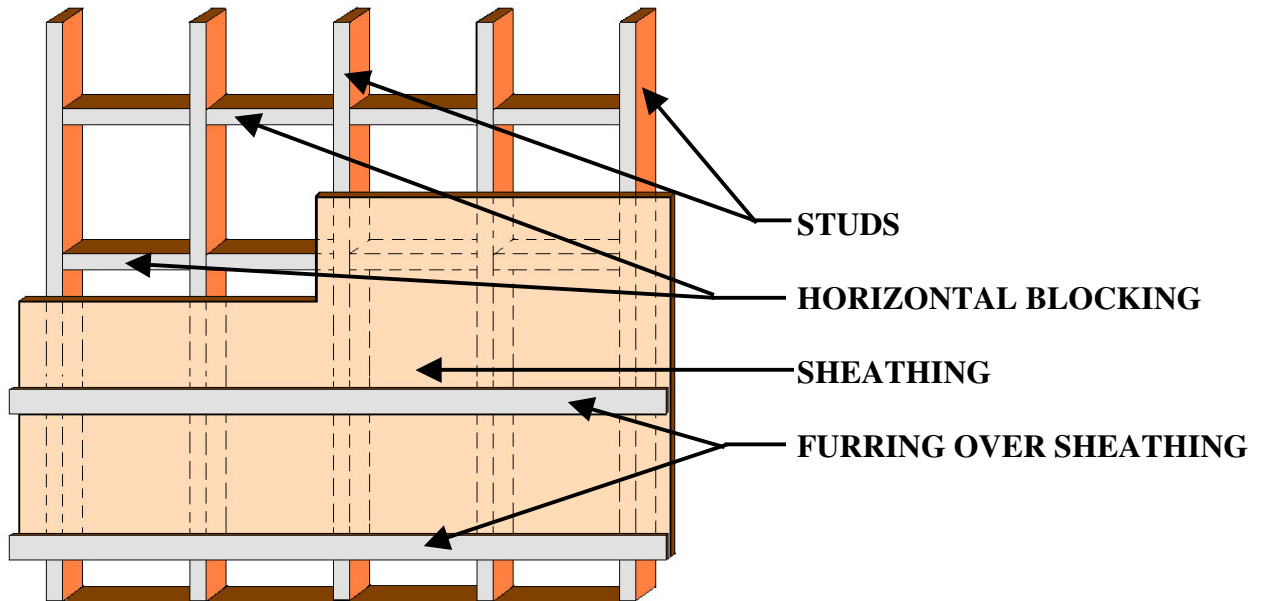




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## NAILING VERTICAL SIDING



For vertical siding installation, stud walls require horizontal blocking lines or furring strips (see below). When applied over wood based sheathing, vertical siding should be nailed to horizontal blocking or other wood-framing members not exceeding 36 in. on center when face nailed or 32 in. on center when blind nailed. Vertical siding when installed without sheathing should be nailed to wood framing or blocking members at 34 in. on center. Some building codes require 24 in. on center with or without sheathing. Check your local code to verify requirements.

<b>Lumber Size and Spacing for Blocking and Furring *</b>		
	<b>Minimum Lumber Size (in.)</b>	<b>Maximum Center-to-Center Spacing (in.)</b>
<b>Blocking</b>	2 x 4	24
<b>Furring over Sheathing**</b>	1 x 4	24
<b>Furring over masonry walls</b>	2 x 4	24

\* Furring must be securely fastened to studs.

\*\* Can be used in moist and severe climates to form an air space between siding and sheathing.