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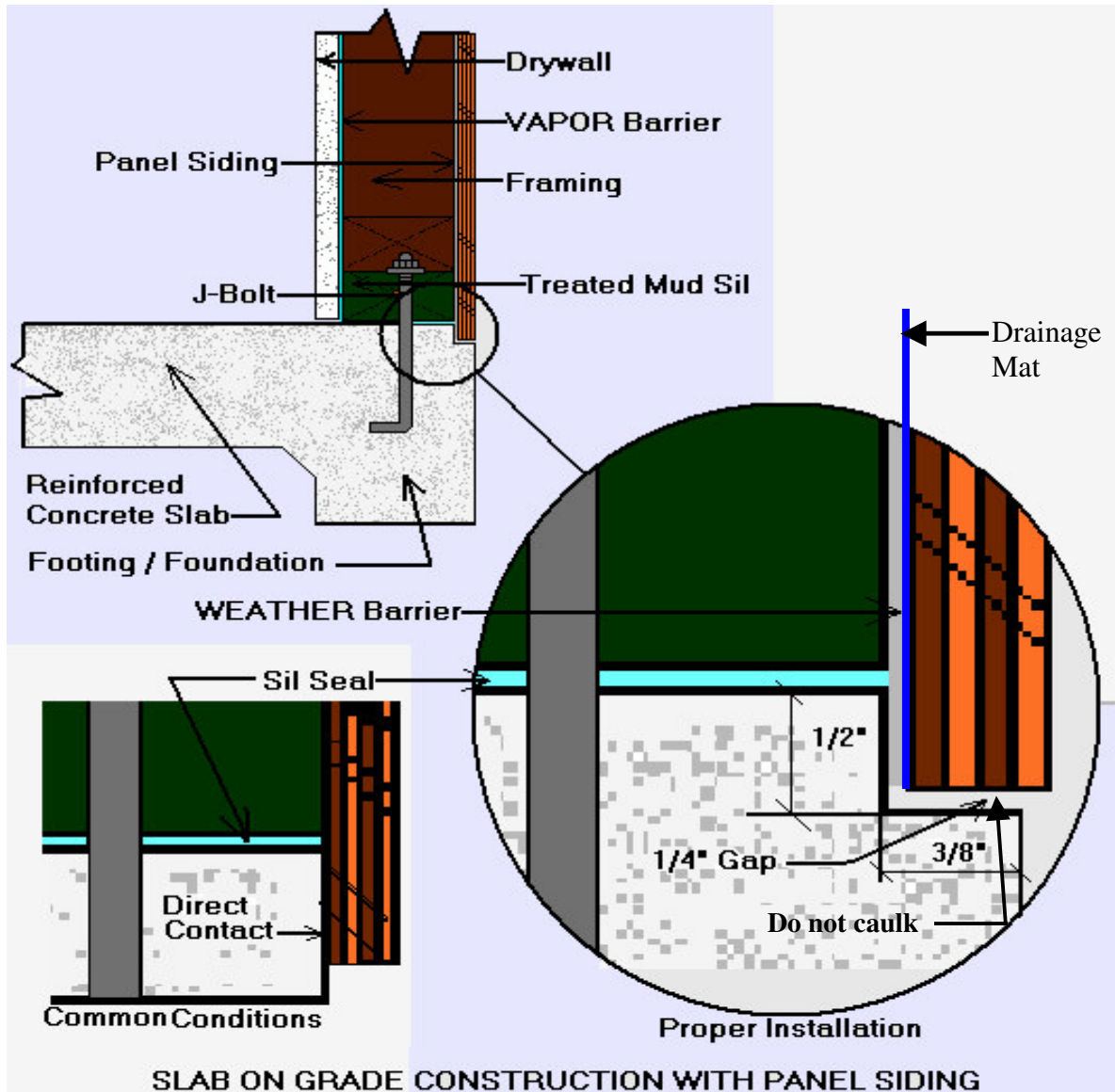
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PANEL SIDING IN SLAB ON GRADE CONSTRUCTION



For siding in slab on grade construction to be successful, moisture migration from the concrete to the siding must be eliminated. The slab should be insulated and have a vapor barrier in place. Direct contact between siding and concrete must be avoided. To achieve the required clearance between siding and grade, the height of the slab must be at least 8" above finished grade.

Failure to follow these guidelines almost always leads to moisture related damage. Composite siding is especially susceptible to moisture related damage. The damage can spread to the framing when a weather barrier has not been installed. When confronted with existing conditions where there is direct contact, installing a drainage mat like home slicker against the concrete can help drain away moisture.