NCA/TB/LTB Bridging



NCA—Nailless installation eliminates callbacks for nail squeaks. Designed for secure grip before the drive-home blow, and deeper prong penetration. Precision-formed into a rigid "V" section.

 ${\bf TB}{--}$ Tension-type bridging with maximum nailing flexibility. Use just two of the seven nail holes at each end.

LTB—Staggered nail pattern accommodates 2x8 and 2x10 joists. Use just two of the six nail holes at each end. LTB40 has rigid prongs that install easily into the joist, and embossments that allow crisp bends.

MATERIAL: LTB-22 gauge; NCA and TB-20 gauge

(except NCA2x12-16—18 gauge).

 $\textbf{FINISH}: \ Galvanized$

- **INSTALLATION:** Support floor joists with a depth-to-thickness ratio of six or more with bridging at intervals not exceeding 8'. If span is greater than 8', install on 2x8 or larger joists. If span is greater than 16', use more than one pair.
 - Tension bridging works only in tension, so must be used in cross pairs.
 - Install bridging tightly; loose installation may allow floor movement.
 - NCA may be installed before or after sheathing, from the top or bottom. Simply locate the bend line approximately 1" from the joist edge.
 - NCA has nail holes in one end for use if a prong is bent during installation. Fully seat nails if they are used; otherwise, they may lead to squeaks.
 - TB requires two 10dx11/2 fasteners per end.
 - LTB requires two 6d commons per end.

CODES: See page 12 for Code Reference Key Chart.

Code Reference: IRC 2003/2006, R502.7.1

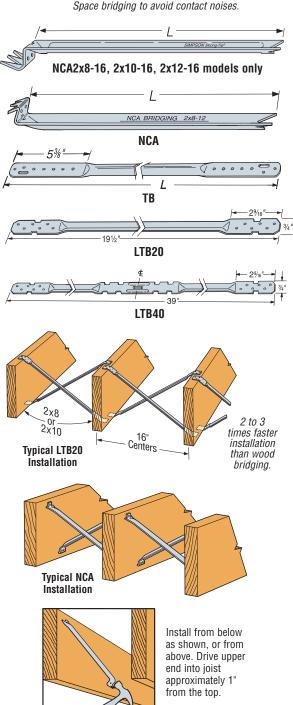
TENSION BRIDGING FOR I-JOISTS

Joist	Joist Spacing (inches)										
Height	12	16	19.2	24	30	32	36	42	48		
9 1⁄2	TB20	TB27	TB27	TB30	TB36	TB36	TB42	TB48	TB54		
10	TB20	TB27	TB27	TB30	TB36	TB36	TB42	TB48	TB54		
117⁄8	TB20	TB27	TB27	TB30	TB36	TB36	TB42	TB48	TB54		
12	TB20	TB27	TB27	TB30	TB36	TB36	TB42	TB48	TB54		
14	TB27	TB27	TB27	TB36	TB36	TB42	TB42	TB48	TB54		
16	TB27	TB27	TB30	TB36	TB42	TB42	TB42	TB48	TB54		
18	TB27	TB30	TB30	TB36	TB42	TB42	TB48	TB54	TB56		
20	TB30	TB30	TB36	TB36	TB42	TB42	TB48	TB54	TB56		
22	TB30	TB36	TB36	TB36	TB42	TB42	TB48	TB54	TB56		
24	TB36	TB36	TB36	TB42	TB42	TB48	TB48	TB54	TB56		
26	TB36	TB36	TB36	TB42	TB48	TB48	TB48	TB54	TB60		
28	TB36	TB36	TB42	TB42	TB48	TB48	TB54	TB54	TB60		
30	TB36	TB42	TB42	TB42	TB48	TB48	TB54	TB56	TB60		
32	TB42	TB42	TB42	TB42	TB48	TB48	TB54	TB56	TB60		

TENSION BRIDGING FOR SOLID SAWN LUMBER

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Joist	Spacing	NCA	TB		LTB	Code	
Size	(in.)	Model No.	L	Model No.	L	Model No.	Ref.
2x8	12	NCA2x8-12	11%16	TB20	20	—	
2x10	12	NCA2x10-12	121⁄2	TB20	20	_	
2x12	12	NCA2x12-12	13%	TB20	20		
2x14	12	NCA2x8-16	151⁄4	TB27	27	—	
2x16	12	NCA2x10-16	15 ¹³ ⁄16	TB27	27	_	
2x8	16	NCA2x8-16	151⁄4	TB27	27	LTB20 or 40	
2x10	16	NCA2x10-16	15 ¹³ ⁄16	TB27	27	LTB20 or 40	116,
2x12	16	NCA2x12-16	167⁄8	TB27	27	_	L25, F15
2x14	16	_	—	TB27	27	—	115
2x16	16	_		TB27	27		
2x10	24	_	_	TB36	36	_	
2x12	24	_	—	TB36	36	_	
2x14	24	_	_	TB36	36	_	
2x16	24	_	—	TB36	36	_	



For all bridging avoid contact between steel members (*this may cause squeaks*).