

# FastenMaster® TrapEase®

Mastering the Tough Fastening Jobs!

## STAINLESS STEEL COMPOSITE SCREW

### NO MORE MUSHROOMS!

Specifically designed to eliminate the "mushrooming" effect caused by standard deck screws in composite deck materials.

The design features of this FastenMaster product include:

- Oversized top thread traps most loose composite material during installation
- Concave underside of the head traps any additional loose material as the fastener is driven flush, pushing it back into the hole
- Guaranteed not to rust or cause streaking; ideal for high salt and acid environments
- Sharp slotted point cuts through the composite material in the first rotation
- Deep #2 square-drive provides the best bit engagement



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STANDARD DECK SCREW



TRAPEASE-STAINLESS



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**INSTALLATION PROCEDURE**

Due to the non-hardenable nature of 305-grade stainless steel, a proper installation technique is important to improving overall fastener performance.

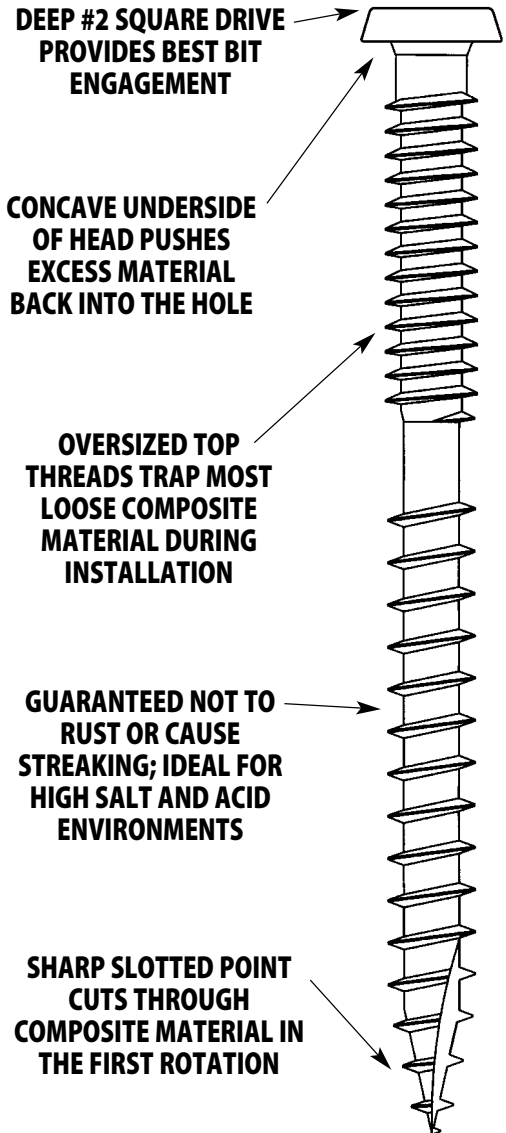
- Use a 0-1800 RPM variable speed corded or 18V cordless drill.
- Use the #2 square driver bits provided.
- Install fastener perpendicular to deck, increasing drill speed as the screw threads into the deck.
- Installing screws at a slower speed and maintaining proper bit angle and pressure is important.
- Drive the screws flush; do not overdrive.
- **Predrilling may be required for extremely dense composites and colder temperatures.**
- **It is recommended that you test drive some TrapEase Stainless Steel screws on a separate board, under jobsite conditions, to assess whether predrilling is needed.**

Refer to the composite wood manufacturer's technical literature for fastening pattern and requirements. Commonly accepted fastening practices include:

- Installing two screws at every joist
- Predrilling pilot holes when fastening the ends of boards to avoid splitting (within 1 1/2" of end of board, based on manufacturer's specs)
- Installing screws no closer than 3/4" from the edge of the board

**Note:** When building with Correct Deck, quickly "dimple" or "divot" the top surface of the material with a 1/4" bit before installing the TrapEase Stainless Steel. This divot should be 1/16" to 1/8" deep. After "dimpling" the surface, drive the fasteners flush. Do not overdrive the fastener as spin out is likely to occur.

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| Part Number     | Color Code      | Screw Length | Quantity per Box | Sq. Ft. of Deck Surface* |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| FMTR9212-350SS  | Stainless Steel | 2 1/2"       | 350              | 100                      |
| FMTR9212-1750SS | Stainless Steel | 2 1/2"       | 1750             | 500                      |

\*Based on a fastening pattern of 2 screws per joist, spaced every 16 inches, into standard 6 inch wide decking

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