



Nails are the most commonly used fasteners to join wood. We stock galvanized nails to prevent rusting on exterior work. Nails were originally priced per hundred. One hundred nails 2" long cost 6 pennies. Hence, 6d. We don't know why they used "d" to represent a penny. If you find out, please let us know so we can update our manual. Following are types and uses of nails that we keep in stock.

- Wire brads: Most commonly used for screen and other small molding work.
- 6d common: Best to hang cement/fiber siding panels. These look like the old asbestos panels.
- 6d finish or casing: Used for molding or trim where the nail can be counter sunk with a nail set.
- 8d common: Decking with 2" X 6" or 3/4" plywood. Plywood siding.
- 8d finish: Typically used for siding such as 105, 117. tongue & groove and 1' x 4' trim boards.
- 16d common: For all structural framing, connecting joists & rafters. Good for Hand rails to add strength.

TYPES OF NAILS

Common: Strong. Best holding power. Head will show.
 Finish: Less holding strength but nail head does not show.
 Casing: Same as finish nail but slightly heavier.
 Duplex: Double headed nail. Good for bracing that will be removed.
 Roofing: Large slender head. Greater holding power to hold shingles.

