

FAQ #4

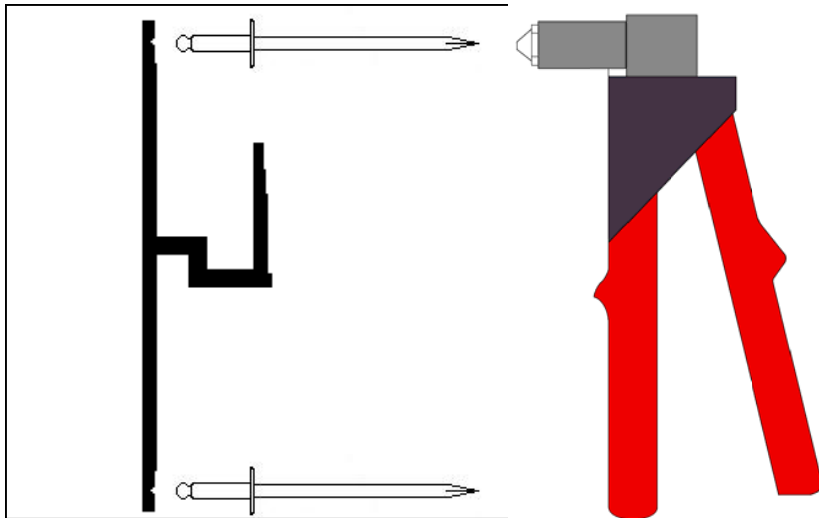
What's the best way to fasten to metal studs?

Solutions:

There are basically two choices Pop Rivets and Tapping Screws .

Pop Rivets

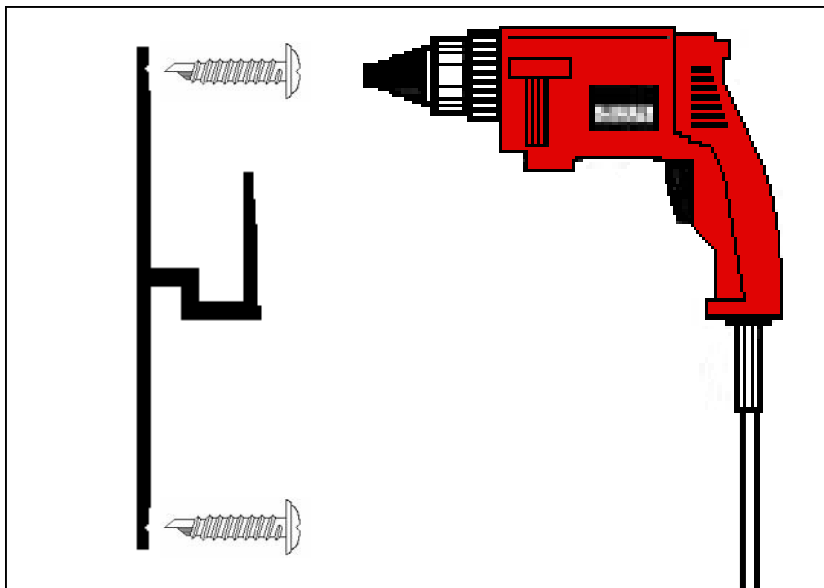
Pop Rivets are an excellent choice especially on light studs such as 22 and 25 gauges. Just drill holes and rivet. Rivets are fast and strong. The greatest benefit of



pop rivets is that the heads of the rivets are very flush to the UMB making the installation of drywall and base the easiest. Rivets should be centered in the top and bottom guidelines that are $\frac{1}{4}$ " (6mm) from the top and bottom edge of the UMB.

Screws

Choose a screw that has a **thin pan-type head** and installs with a minimum of head protrusion. The thinner head makes the installation of the drywall and base easier. **Choose a screw with a low-profile head.** Do not use bugle-head



drywall, flathead, or roundhead type screws. Make sure that the tapping screws you use are not over-driven so that the threads have stripped out in the metal stud. **Do Not** use screws on light gauge studs such as 22 and 25 gauges-Use rivets instead. Screws should be centered in the top and bottom guidelines that are $\frac{1}{4}$ " (6mm) from the top and bottom edge of the UMB.

Follow all standard industry safety procedures, wear safety glasses.