Prime Panels expand with increases in temperature and humidity. During installation, care must be taken in spacing panels to allow for thermal expansion (see diagrams below). Panel dimensions over 4’ X 8’ or installations in high moisture areas require larger gaps. Inadequate spacing can result in panel buckling or distortion.

Prime Panels should be pre-fit before installation. Size panels to allow for expansion:
* between panels (Figures #2 & #3)
* between panels and ceiling or floor (Figures #4 & #5)
* between panels and electrical fixtures, pipes, door and window frames

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**NOTE:** When installing FRP liner panels or fluted polypropylene backed laminated panels, pre-drill hole 1/8” larger than the diameter of the rivet to allow for expansion.