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# DO RIM JOISTS NEED TO BE INSULATED?

#### RIM JOIST INSULATION IS REQUIRED BY BUILDING CODES.

Rim joist insulation is an extension of insulation in the ceiling or walls.

## RIM JOISTS ARE A HIGH INFILTRATION POINT FOR COLD AIR.

A masonry wall transitions to a wood frame, which makes the rim joist vulnerable to cold air transfer.

## RIM JOISTS SHOULD BE INSULATED WITH CLOSED CELL SPRAY FOAM.

Usually, rim joists receive batt insulation. But only spray foam can contour to the awkward angles. Spray foam also offers an airtight seal.

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