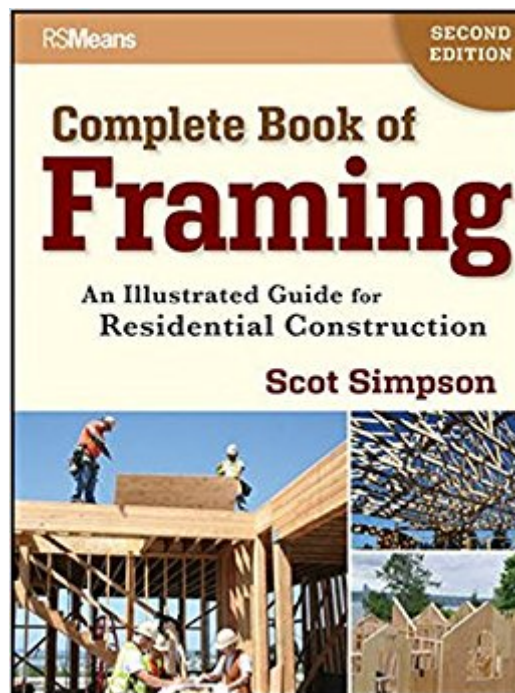




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# Complete Book Of Framing: An Illustrated Guide For Residential Construction



## Synopsis

The updated easy-to-learn reference for rough carpentry and framing *Complete Book of Framing, Second Edition* is an updated, easy-to-learn guide to rough carpentry and framing written by an expert with more than thirty years of framing experience. This book guides the reader through the steps on framing floors, walls, roofs, door and window openings, and stairs. Hundreds of color photographs and illustrations help the reader understand the basics as well as advanced framing methods. This Second Edition is updated to match the framing techniques to the 2009 International Building Code, and introduces the concept of "green framing" regarding material use and handling. Deals with the new corrosive treating methods that began to be used in 2004 for pressure treated wood Covers the time and energy-saving benefits of positive placement nail guns, which have become the industry standard for fastening light gage hardware Includes a glue-laminated beam weight chart, along with a description of crane operations for setting these beams Starting with the basics, this book begins with types of lumber, nails, and what tools are needed, followed by detailed, fully illustrated steps for framing each building element— from planning and layout through specific nailing patterns. Framer-Friendly Tips throughout the book show how to get a task done right— and more easily.

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**Framing Tips for Every Task** **Material Movement for Walls** Locate wall framing so that once the wall is built, it can be raised into position as close to where it finally goes as possible. Spread the

headers, trimmers, cripples, and sills as close to their final position as possible. Eight is an average number of 2 " x 4 studs to carry. You can use your leg to stabilize the studs you are spreading. Stabilize them with one arm and one leg to free up your other arm so that you can spread them one at a time. This way you won't have to set them down, then pick them back up to spread them. (See photo.) Select a straight plate for the top and double plates, and position any crown in the double plate in the opposite direction of the top plate crown. This will help straighten out the wall.

**Nailing Walls** Nail the headers to the studs first. Make sure that they are flush on top and on the ends of the headers. Nail the trimmers to the studs. Make sure that they are up tight against the bottom of the header and flush with the sides of the stud. Nail the studs and cripples to the plates. Nail sills to the cripples and the trimmers. Make sure that all the connections are tight and flush.

**Squaring Walls** Align the bottom plate so that when it is raised, it will be as close to the final position as possible. Attach the bottom plate to the floor along the inside chalk line for the wall. Toenail through the bottom plate into the floor so that the sheathing won't cover the nails. If the wall is in position, it can be nailed on the inside, and the nails can be pulled out after the wall is raised. Use your tape measure to check the diagonal lengths of the wall. Move the top part of the wall until the diagonal lengths are equal. Example: If the diagonal measurements are different by one inch, then move the long measure toward the short measure by one half inch diagonal measure. Make sure the measurements are exact. Once the diagonals are the same, check by measuring the other diagonal. Temporarily nail the top of the wall so that it will not move while you are sheathing it. Make sure you nail so that your nails won't be covered by the sheathing.

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needed, followed by detailed, fully illustrated steps for framing each building element; from planning and layout through specific nailing patterns. Framer-friendly tips throughout the book show how to get a task done right; and more easily.

I am a beginner that wants to build a shed. Most of this book is "way over my head" however it is totally enjoyable. With all of its pictures and "how to do photos" it really explains everything about framing. My appreciation for carpenters went way up when I saw what building actually entails. I have learn a few things and I am sure I will learn a few more things as I gaze at this book. Watching YouTube videos on framing is a bit easier on framing. Going to a hardware store and learning how to communicate with the store reps is better. If you are in the trade I am sure this is a must know. Thank you for this wonderful book.

Great book, very knowledgeable. I needed to sharpen up on my framing and code standards, this was perfect. If I was reading this from a completely new to carpentry perspective, I think I could easily grasp the concept and put it into action from this book.

Another really good book for beginners on framing. It helps them SEE all the parts and shows very helpful diagrams and explanations. It may seem too "oversimplified" for the master-carpenter, who has been framing for 30 years, but I think this is a great book for someone with no experience. Also good to get to help teach apprentice carpenters.

Great book that I reference a lot for being able to look over plans and check on construction work being done by others, caught my contractor lying about short changing the way things are done and got his work flagged by inspectors until it was corrected. Has help with my own little projects as well and gave me a much better understanding into the framing world.

The book is very easy to understand and detailed. Filled in the holes for me on framing where I did not understand. Awesome reference book I'll keep in my library.

WOW this book is outstanding! This book has great illustrations, instructions and photos in it. The amount of detail is incredible, this guy covers it all with clear and concise instructions, this book explains how to do framing very good. I am extremely impressed with this book. Whether you are a beginner or weekend warrior re-modeler or experienced pro, this book has something to offer each

person. I was impressed with the amount of precision and concise details in each section of this book, it discusses, the planning, layout, the actual how to do it yourself, the materials purchasing, the tools to use and how to use them. The building codes that need to be used and proper standards of framing. This is all done for all framing, from the floor of a home to the walls, inner and outer, load and non load bearing, to second or third story homes, and the framing of various types of roofs. This book is an encyclopedia of framing, the best if not one of the best framing books I have ever used or read and I have not even gotten to read all of it completely yet but it has helped me a great deal already in month time. I just wish I had learned of or found this book sooner. If a weekend re-modeler or small business type like me can read this book and actually apply what the author instructs and it works, then anyone can. I highly recommend this book to anyone, especially if you are just starting out and want to learn or have self help with framing, this book is wonderful. And there is enough of more advanced ideas in it for the pro framer also. Buy it you will not regret it.

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