



**WESTON INDUSTRIES**

# Do It Yourself

**Ordering & Installation Guide**

**For New or Replacement Countertops**

# Do It Yourself Countertop Installation



Weston Industries is the largest custom countertop manufacturer in Ontario. Known for their exceptional customer service and satisfaction. A true leader in the industry since 1977. With the latest in machine technology you can be assured of excellence in production and efficiency. When you are looking for precision workmanship and quality, look no further than Weston Industries.

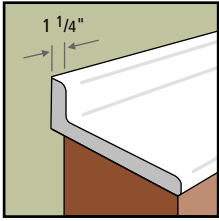
Weston Industries can provide you with a wide range of possibilities when it comes to colour selection for your countertop requirements. When it comes to installation, the post-formed countertop is the quickest and easiest for do it yourselfers. The counter tops are available in two front edge profiles, the "Flat Roll" profile and the "D-Nose" profile. There is also the option to choose a custom beveled edge.

## Countertop Profile Options

You have a choice of the profile you would prefer on your countertop.

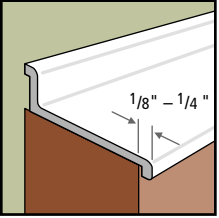
<p><b>FLAT ROLL</b></p> <p>Kitchen - 25 3/8"            Vanity - 23"            Bartops - 27 1/8" &amp; 36 3/8"</p> <p>Caps            Custom sizes available</p>	
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# End Treatment Options



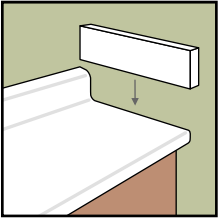
## Finished End

For countertops that do not end at a wall allow for a 1 1/4" overhang past the cabinets.



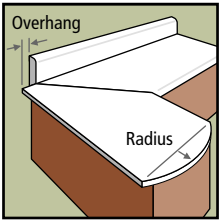
## Profile Finished End

For countertops that extend to an appliance, a recommended overhang would be 1/8" to 1/4".



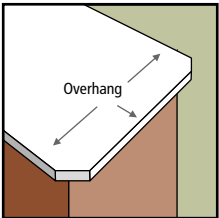
## End Splash

An end splash can be used if you wish where the countertop meets the wall. Please specify if you would like to include an end splash with your order.



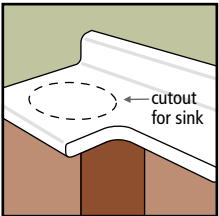
## Bar Sweep

(Free Standing Islands)  
The radius measurement must be included in the overall length of the countertop. There must be adequate overhang past the cabinets.



## Angle Finished End

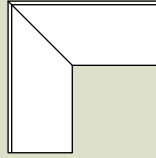
These can be either single or double. There must be adequate overhang past the cabinets.



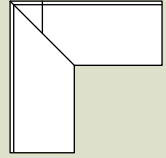
## Banjo Top

The banjo top is used when there is a countertop running behind a toilet. Allow for an extra 1 1/2" of overhang around the cabinet.

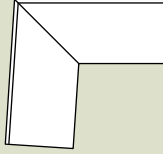
## Available Mitres



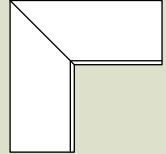
**Standard Degree Mitre**  
– standard 90 degree mitre.



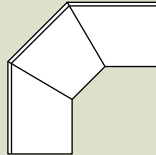
**Half Mitre**  
– butt joint with standard 45 degree angle.



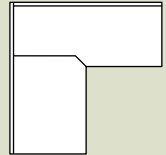
**Out of Square Mitre**  
– when walls are NOT 90 degrees. See page 5 for measuring details.



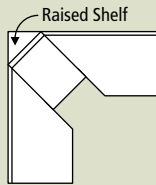
**Reverse Mitre**  
– for outside corner.



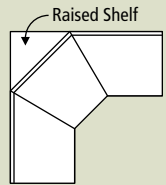
**Double Mitre**



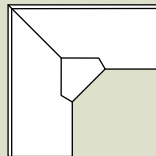
**Bulkhead Mitre**  
– when joining different depths together.



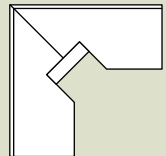
**Insert Double Mitre with Shelf**



**Double Mitre with Shelf**  
– sometimes used for corner appliance.



**Lazy Susan Mitre**  
– sometimes used for corner appliance (sink or cooktop).



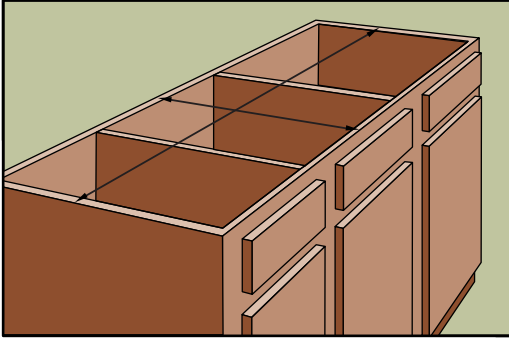
**Inset Lazy Susan Mitre**  
– special design feature.



**Butt Joint** – for countertops over 144".



## Measuring for Countertops for New Cabinets



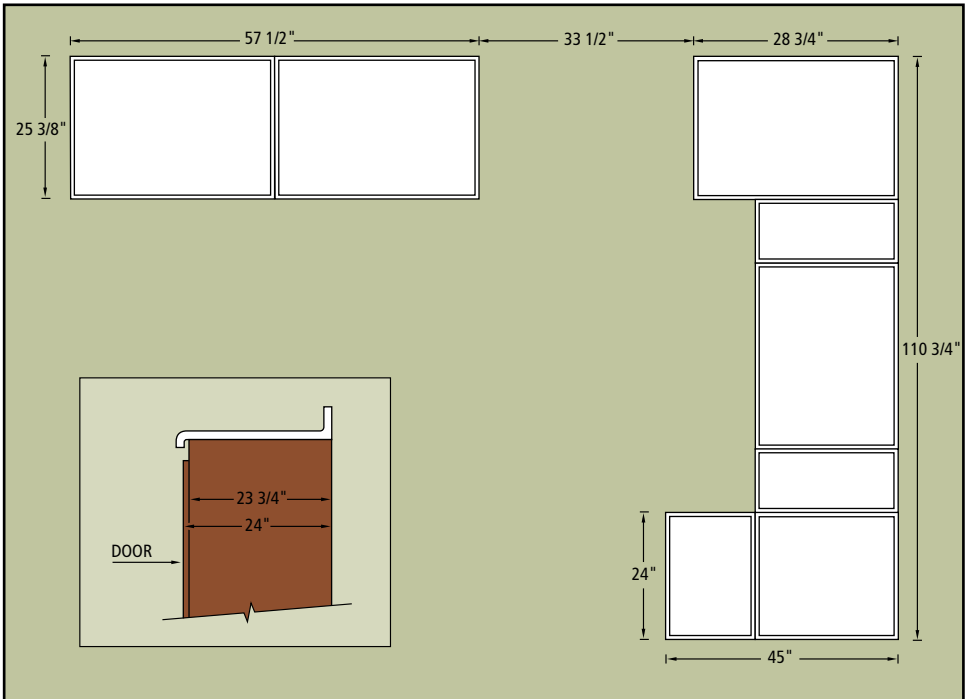
You must know the exact dimensions of the new cabinets. Measure the length of the each cabinet section along the wall. Now measure the depth of the cabinets not including the doors. Allow for an overhang of 1 1/2" past the cabinet.

### Standard Postform Countertops

All Weston Industries tops are made from 5/8" particle board. The countertops come in a 23" and 25 3/8" depth. The bartop sizes are 27 1/8" and 36 3/8".

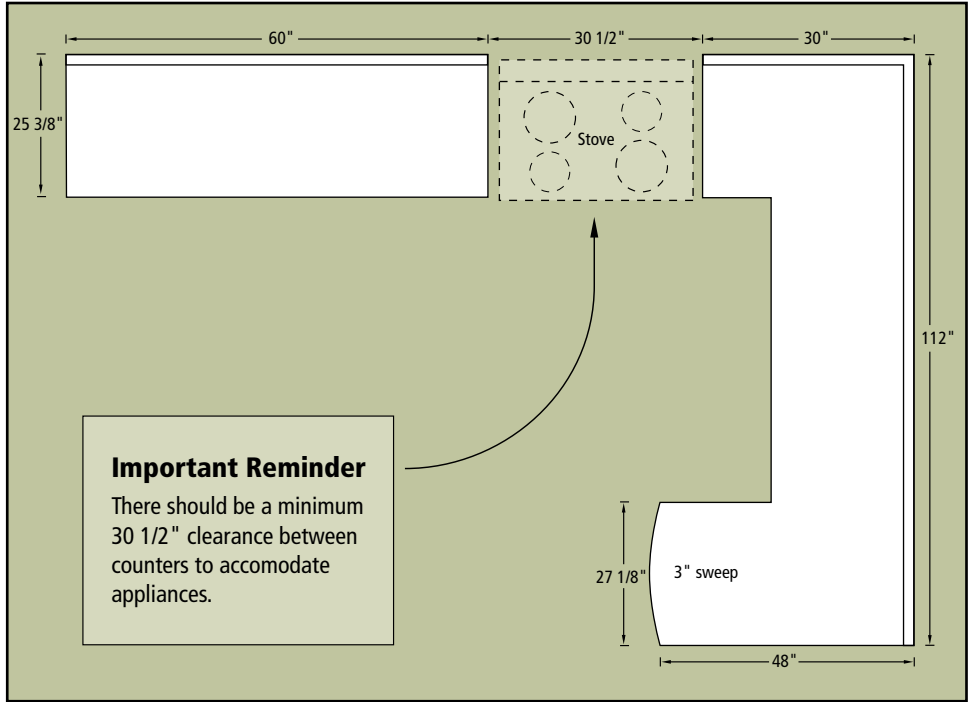
For Island cabinets measure the width and the length and allow for overhang on all four sides. Allow for at least a 1 1/2" overhang. If there is seating on the side of the island then the overhang will be increased.

For vanity or bartops measure the width and the length of the new cabinets. Be sure to show where the walls are and if any end treatments will be necessary.



# Measuring for Replacement Countertops

The most important part of the process is making sure that you have measured correctly. "Measure twice, cut once" The following must be taken into consideration when measuring: end treatments, end splash and wall squareness.



See page 6 & 7 to detail your measurements.

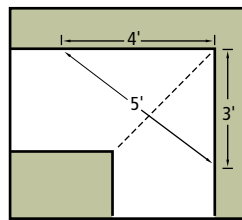
**1** Measure the total length of each section of the countertop at the back where it meets the wall. Now measure the width of each section. Be sure to include any backsplash measurements. Now measure any additional sections of countertop. Measure to the nearest  $1/8$ ". If keeping old sink measure where old sink is located. Use fixed points for reference, ie. walls.

**2** To measure for islands and bar tops measure the length and width of the countertop. For bar top measure the length and width from the wall to the end of the bartop and indicate the size of the radius. The external measurement must be used, so the radius must be included in the overall length of the countertop.

## 90 Degree Corners

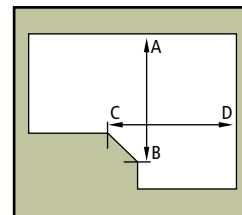
When two walls meet behind the countertop you must verify that they are in fact at a 90 degree angle. On one wall measure 3 feet from the corner

and on the other wall measure 4 feet from the corner. Measure the diagonal between the two



positions. The distance should be 5 feet ( $60$ " ) for a true 90 degree corner. If the measurement is less than  $59 3/4$ " or more than  $60 1/4$ " be sure to make note of this

on your overall measurements. If there are any out of square walls you should consider discussing this with an expert at Weston Industries.



## Diagonal Corners

Measure from A-B and from C-D and include the backsplash depth. Include all the other measurements of this section of countertop.

# Weston Industries Standard Order Form

## WESTON INDUSTRIES INC.

Postformed Counter Tops & Laminated Doors.



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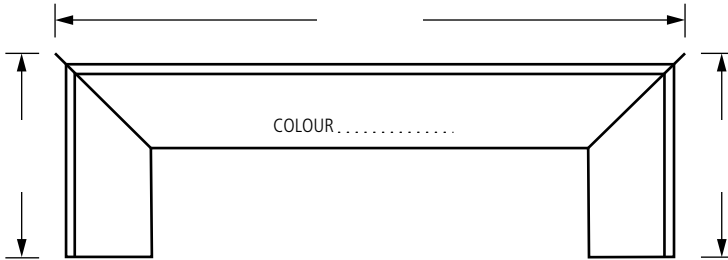
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180 Flat Roll     D-Nose     Square Edge / S.B.S.     Wood Edge / S.B.S.

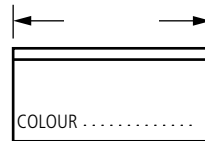
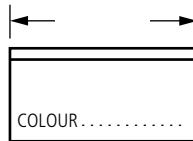
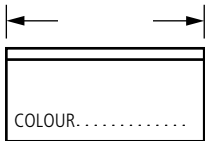
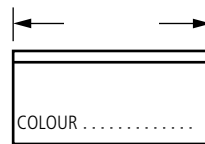
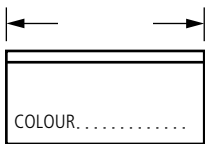
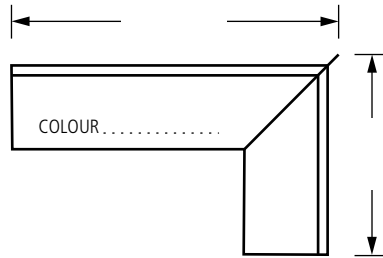
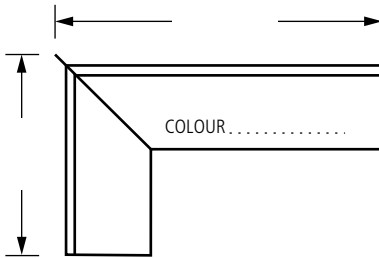
TERMS: We require a 50% deposit up-front. Balance is due on delivery. We accept cash or certified cheque as well as VISA or Interact.

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**These symbols  
Must be Used**  
 O Standard 25"  
   Standard 23"  
 oo Island/Bartop  
 SS Wall/Side Splash  
 F Finish End  
 PF Profile End  
 CC Clean Cut  
 RC Round Corner



**PLEASE NOTE:**

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4. Nothing is to be assumed when ordering a countertop.

I understand and confirm all of the above:  .....

# Measurement Guide

You may wish to use this measurement guide to help you with your measurements. Draw out your countertop. Include wall locations but not cabinet sizes. Detail the end treatments and mitres as per the diagrams on the previous pages.

## Order Form

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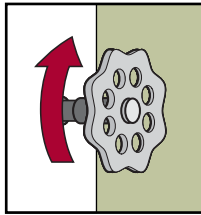
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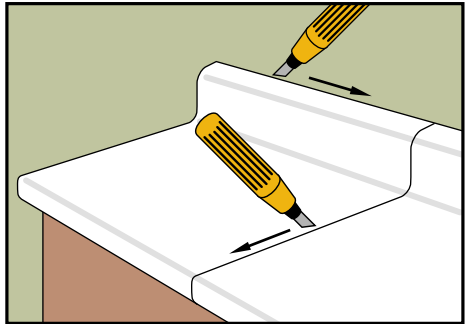
## Removing Old Countertops

**1** Before beginning the removal of your countertop you must turn off all water and valves. You must then disconnect the plumbing fixtures before taking off the countertop.

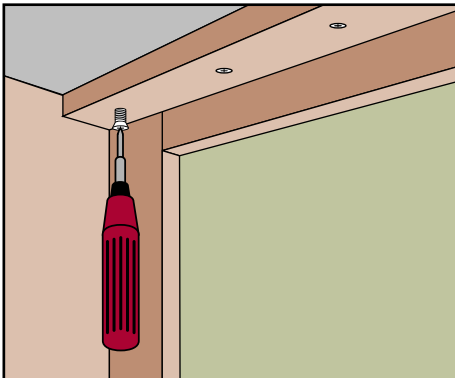


We recommend that you use the services of a qualified plumber to remove existing sinks and fixtures.

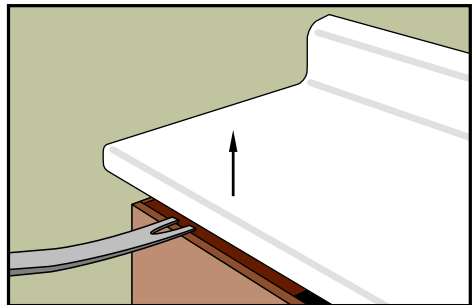
**2** Be sure to remove all appliances so you are able to move freely around the countertop.



**4** Using a sharp knife cut the caulk along the backsplash and at the mitres.



**3** Begin by removing any existing brackets or braces holding the countertop in place.



**5** With the use of a bar, carefully pry the countertop away from the cabinets. If the countertop does not come up you may need to cut the top into smaller sections.



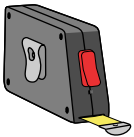
# To Install your Weston Industries Countertop

A beginner should expect the job to take about 5 to 6 hours. Make sure that you have assistance when it comes to lifting the counter. The counters can be fragile until they are installed so be sure to handle and support the counter with care.

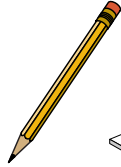
## Materials Required

Countertop  
Silicone Adhesive  
Mitre bolts  
End caps

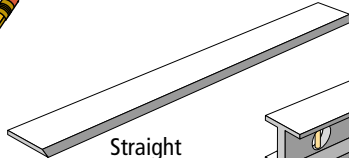
## Tools Required



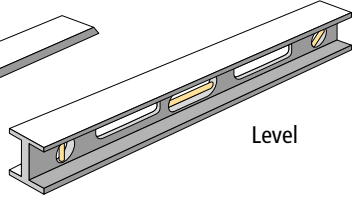
Tape Measure



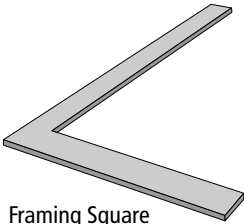
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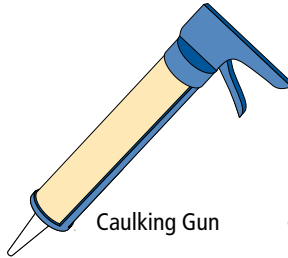
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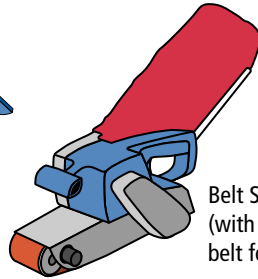
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Framing Square



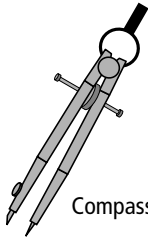
Caulking Gun



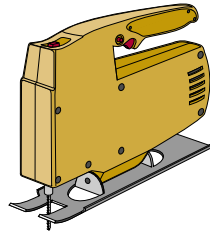
Belt Sander  
(with an 80-grit belt for removing



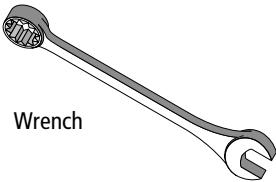
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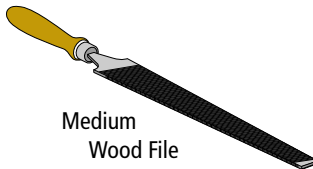
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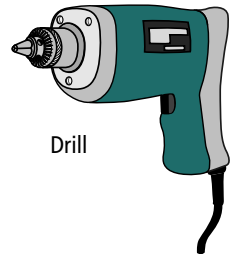
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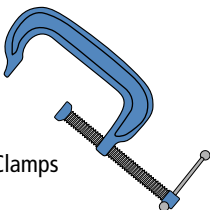
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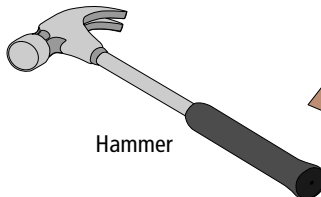
Medium Wood File



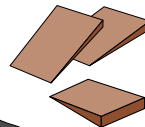
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Clamps

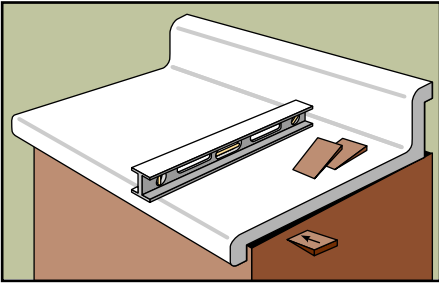


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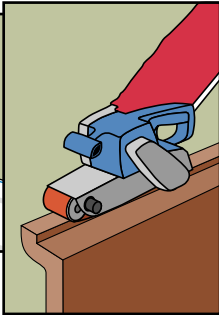
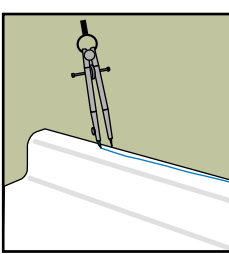


Wood shims  
(if the countertop needs to be leveled)

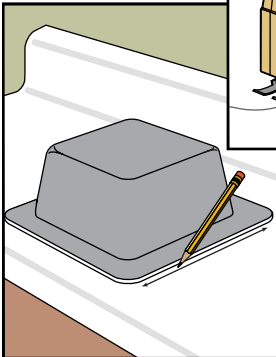
# Installing Your Countertop



**1** Place the countertop sections on the top of the cabinets and against the wall. You should check the countertop level. Use shims as required to level it. Check to see if the cabinet doors and drawers clear the lip of the counter. If they don't you will have to build up the bottom of the countertop so it clears the doors and drawers. Wood blocks of 5/8" can be placed under the counter at the cabinet frames in order to build it up.



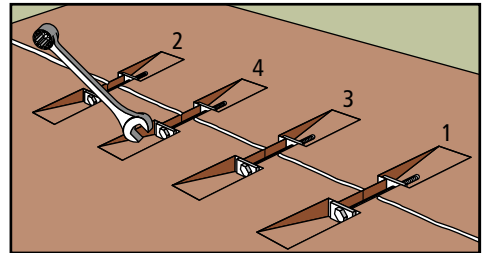
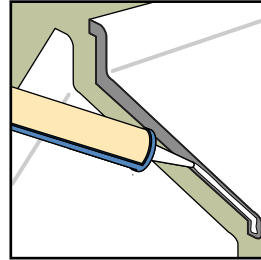
**2** Walls are rarely even so you may have to scribe the backsplash of your counter to the shape of the wall. Using a compass, scribe along the top of the backsplash and use a belt sander to remove the excess material.



**3** Align the new countertop on the cabinets. Position the sink upside down on the countertop and

trace the outline. Use a straight edge to draw a cutting line 1/2" inside the traced line. Before you begin cutting remove the countertop from the cabinets before cutting so as not to damage the cabinets. Drill a hole just inside the cutting line for the jigsaw blade to go in. Use a fine tooth blade for cutting and make the corners slightly rounded. To avoid water penetration use some waterproof silicone under the rim of the sink.

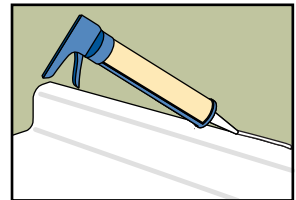
**4** To join the countertop sections apply a bead of silicone adhesive along the mitred edges and push the two ends together. (This applies only if the countertop has not been completely assembled by Weston Industries).



**5** From under the countertop insert the mitre bolts. Make sure both sections are aligned properly. Tighten the bolts slightly and check the countertop again for alignment before tightening completely.

**6** To secure the countertop to the cabinets, screw through brackets into the countertop. Make sure to use the right length of screw so you do not puncture the laminate. It is recommended that you screw these in by hand and not use a power drill.

**7** To help prevent water damage apply a small amount of caulking to the mitred edges and wipe off any excess. Do the same to seal the edge between the countertop backsplash and the wall.



## Countertop Care

To get the longest life possible from your Weston Industries countertop you should follow these tips:

- Do not use abrasive cleansers, bleach or anything containing strong chemicals or acid.
- Do not place anything on the countertop that could corrode or discolour the laminate such as: drain cleaners, oven cleaners, tub and tile cleaners, chlorine bleach, lime scale removers, toilet bowl cleaners, etc.
- Do not use the countertop as a cutting board.
- Do not use a hammer or meat tenderizer directly on the surface as this can cause cracking or marking.
- Do not use steel wool, sand paper or scouring pads on the surface as this will scratch the laminate
- Do not allow water to sit on the countertop for long periods of time especially near the mitre joints as this will cause the core to swell or cause damage to the laminate adhesion
- Do not place hot objects directly onto the countertop surface. Protect the surface from heat with trivets or other protective measures. Do not sit or stand on your countertop.

## Cleaning

Use a clean, damp cloth with mild detergent for cleaning.

To remove stains, use a mild household cleaner or a paste of baking soda and water and a non-abrasive cloth and avoid rubbing too hard

The following may permanently stain your surface: newspaper, pens, markers, wine, hair dyes, tea, etc.





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