Ontario Resource Document Selected Nail Typology

SELECTED NAIL TYPOLOGY

Common Siding Nails Actual Size



HAND WROUGHT

up to 1830s

Made by hand on a forge. All four sides taper to a point.



MACHINE CUT

1830s to present

Stamped from sheets of iron and cut by a machine. Two sides taper and two are flat.



WIRE PULLED

1850s to present

Pulled from wire and cut by a machine. Nails are round.

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