

# PRODUCTS

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## OUTDOOR CABINETS

WEATHERSTRONG CABINETS ARE MADE WITH A WATERPROOF POLYMER

Built with  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch “marine grade” PVC, these cabinets can handle rain, snow, and hot summer weather, according to the manufacturer, and come with a five-year warranty. The factory finish is a wood-grain texture in white. All door handles, hinges, and drawer slides are made with stainless steel. Among the features are six-way adjustable hinges, full-depth adjustable shelves, open backs

with dual mounting rails, ball-bearing drawer slides, and integral toe-kicks. Door styles include two flat-panel designs, a beaded panel, and a louver-like panel, while cabinet styles include single- and double-width wall units, base cabinets with and without a drawer, and drawer base units. Cabinets ship within seven to 10 days. [weatherstrong.com](http://weatherstrong.com)

## CABLE RAIL

KEY-LINK'S VERTICAL CABLE RAILING IS AVAILABLE IN TWO LENGTHS AND HEIGHTS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS

The New Holland, Pa., company said the vertical cable railing complements its existing horizontal system for customers who want deck railings that interfere minimally with outdoor views. The rail components include stainless steel infill cable and stainless steel support bars and are fully code compliant, according to the manufacturer. Components are available in two heights—36 inches for residential applications and 42 inches for commercial installations—and in 6-foot and 8-foot lengths. There are three color options: white, black, and bronze. There's a dealer locator at the company website. Pricing was not announced. [keylinkonline.com](http://keylinkonline.com)





### POST BASE

SIMPSON STRONG-TIE'S MPBZ RESISTS LATERAL LOADS

The manufacturer touts the hardware's "moment-resisting" characteristics, but builders will appreciate that they can use fewer, or eliminate, knee braces. Simpson says the overlapping sleeve design prevents a post from rotating around its base when lateral loads are applied from above. Features include 1-inch tabs at the bottom to keep the post's base out of standing water; indicators and internal tabs that identify the required embedment in concrete; and Simpson's "Zmax" galvanized coating for corrosion resistance. It's available in sizes for 4x4 and 6x6 posts. [strongtie.com](http://strongtie.com)

### JOIST PROTECTION

IMUS CAP IS A PAINTABLE METAL TOP LAYER THAT BONDS TO WOOD JOISTS AND BEAMS WITH A PEEL-AND-STICK WATERPROOF ADHESIVE

The inventor is Gregg Imus, who says his 35 years of experience building custom homes and replacing rotted decks gave him the idea for the cap. It consists of a 26-gauge metal strip with a peel-and-stick waterproof butyl rubber adhesive. Imus says the Imus Cap is easier to apply than other peel-and-stick products on the market, and the metal surface can be painted, if desired.

The cap is designed to eliminate trapped water between the decking and the joists, which can lead to decay. There's no need to predrill for deck screws and hidden fasteners. The Imus Cap is available in three widths (1<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub> inches, 3<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub> inches, and 5<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub> inches). Pieces are 8 feet long. Prices range from \$12 to \$28 per piece, depending on width. Imus Cap can be ordered on the Imus Industries' website. [imusindustries.com](http://imusindustries.com) ♦