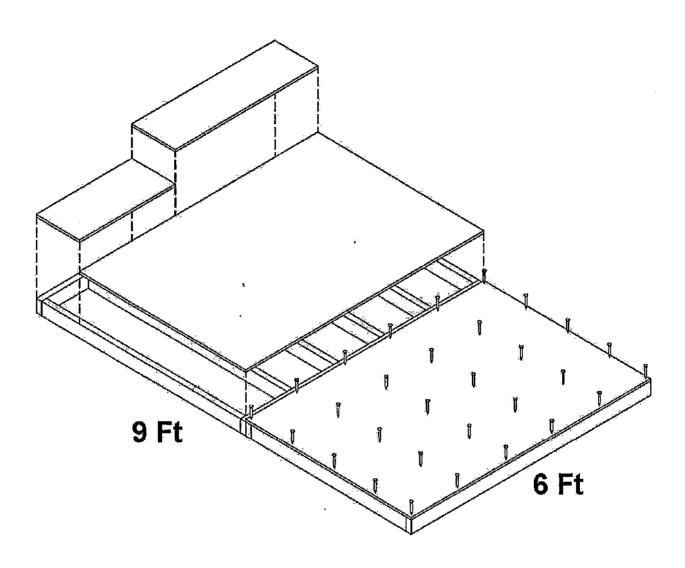
# PRE-CUT FLOOR ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE 9 x 6 MODEL



#### Parts list for Pre-Cut Floor:

- Plywood Sheet 48" x 69"- 2
- Plywood Sheet 12 ½" x 41 ½" 1
- Plywood Sheet 12 ½" x 27 ¾" 1
- Floor Joist 2" x 4" 57 ½" 6
- Floor Joist 2" x 4" 45" 6
- Rim Joist 2" x 4" 69" 4

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## CedarShed Industries How to Build Panelized Garden Sheds

CedarShed's line of premium garden sheds consists of sheds with standardized wall and door panels that allow for ease of installation and customization of window and door placements. There are three instruction manuals that come with each shed kit:

- (1) provides the precut floor instructions for your particular size shed.
- (2) provides the standard instructions for all models, and
- (3) provides the instructions for panels and parts that are specific to the particular shed model you have purchased.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding our products or our instruction manuals, please contact us by email at <u>info@cedarshed.com</u> or by phone at 1-800-830-8033.

#### TOOLS REQUIRED

Garden tools for foundation and leveling of building site.
Power drill & drill bits (1/16" drill bit)
Stapler (use to secure insect screening and roofing felt).
8 ft step ladders (2)
3 ft carpenter's level
Hammer
Tape measure
Pencil
Crowbar

#### ADDITIONAL MATERIALS REQUIRED

Foundation or concrete patio stones

#### ASSISTANCE REQUIRED

A minimum of two people will be required to construct the building. A third person will be helpful when working on the roof structure.

#### SAFETY POINTS AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

As a proud owner of a CedarShed product, we want you to safely enjoy it for many years to come. Our products are built for use based on proper installation on level ground and normal residential use. Please follow the Assembly Manual when building the structure and keep these manuals for future reference.

When using power tools, ladders or any other tool, observe all safety precautions recommended by the manufacturer. Always use appropriate safety equipment, such as gloves, hearing and eye protection.

Customers agree to hold CedarShed Industries (1992) Inc. and any Authorized Dealer free of any liability for improper installation, maintenance and repair of any CedarShed product.

#### Some safety tips to consider include:

- 1. Roof snow load rating varies by geographical location. If a heavy or wet snowfall occurs, it is advisable to clear the snow off the roof.
- 2. If the structure is elevated above ground, local building code requirements are solely the owners responsibility and should be abided by.
- 3. In high or gusty wind conditions it is advisable not to use the structure and it may be advisable to keep the structure securely grounded.
- 4. Have a regular maintenance plan to ensure floors, walls, doors, windows, roofing members etc. are secure and ready from adverse weather conditions.
- 5. In some geographical regions, our products are not rated for human occupancy. Please check with local authorities if this is the intended use fo our products..
- 6. It is important to first properly prepare and level the foundation to ensure the proper construction of CedarShed products. Please review the information in the assembly instruction manuals or our website, or alternatively, consult with a professional with knowledge on properly preparing a foundation.

Local conditions, personal construction abilities and other factors may effect the construction of any CedarShed product, so it is possible that your experience may differ from those presented in this manual, in our catalogues or on our websites.

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## WALLS TO ROOF ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS (refer to separate enclosed manual)

The assembly instructions for the structure from walls to roof is enclosed as a separate instruction manual. Once the floor structure is complete refer to the manual entitled "STANDARD SHED INSTRUCTIONS" to complete the rest of the project.

#### USE OF OUTDOOR RATED WOOD ADHESIVE

To add additional structural integrity to your CedarShed structure, a good outdoor rated wood adhesive can be used where panels and parts are joined together. This would include the following locations:

#### **GARDEN SHEDS**

floor panels (plywood) to joist wall panels to floor structure header to wall panels wall panels to wall panels top plates to wall panels gable panels to wall panels roof panels to gable panels roof panels to top plates gussets to rafters

#### **GAZEBOS**

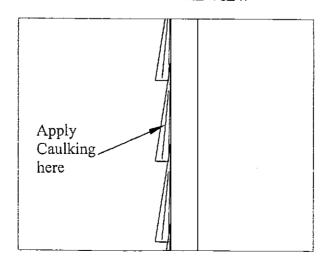
joist parts to joist parts deck boards to joist balusters to rail fillets rail fillets to rails rails to posts post to post header to posts rafters to headers rafter parts to rafter parts roof sheathing to rafters roof panels to rafters

PLEASE NOTE: If you plan on disassembling your CedarShed structure at a later date then an adhesive would not be recommended.

#### USE OF OUTDOOR RATED LATEX CAULKING

During periods of heavy rain, water may weep into your CedarShed structure through the walls. To help prevent this from happening, a good quality latex caulking applied on the edge of the siding before affixing the trim boards is recommended. Please see the diagram below for details.

## EDGE OF WALL PANEL CROSS SECTIONAL VIEW



#### FOUNDATION PREPARATION

#### PREPARE THE SITE:

Before you begin assembly, clear the construction area. Remove all organic material such as roots grass, dirt and large rocks that may compromise the ability to level the site. Make sure the ground slopes away from the site at least 10 ft. (3.05 m.) in all directions. If necessary, build up the centre of the site and slope away from the high point to provide drainage. Fill in any low spots within the perimeter of the site. Be sure to use gravel or a good packing material to level the site. Make sure it is packed down before beginning the building process.

#### FIUNDATION CHOICES:

#### 1. Concrete Patio Stones (not included)

If the ground is stable and has sufficient drainage, you can set patio stones directly on a firm compacted gravel base. Make sure the stones are thick enough to allow air circulation under the structure. This helps to prevent dry rot from setting in on the joist. The bearing points are outlined in the next page of this manual.

#### 2. PRESSURE TREATED WOOD STRINGERS (not included)

A second option is to use 4x4 (90 mm x 90 mm) stringers which can run the full width of the structure. Be sure to use a stringer every 4 ft. For example for an 8x12 floor structure, you will need 4-8 ft. stringers. This reduces the amount of leveling needed as you only need to level each end of the stringer. However, it will increase the height of the shed and you may require a ramp or an additional step at the doorways.

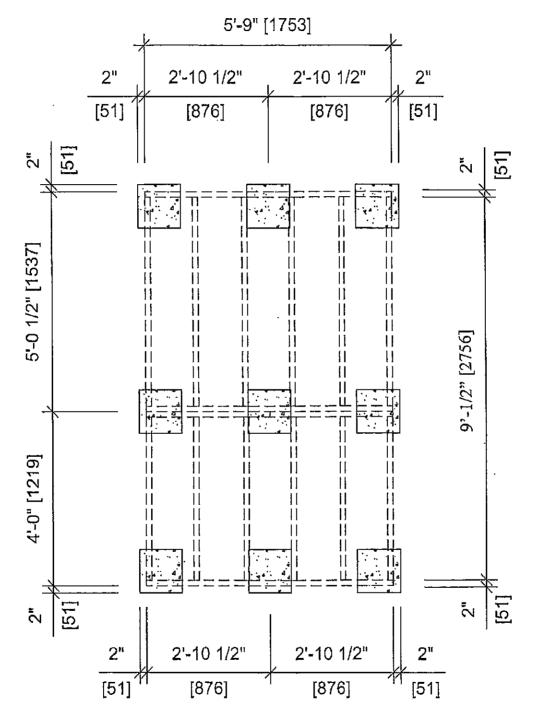
#### CONCRETE SLAB

Typically a slab 3"-4" (75 – 102 mm) thick laid over a sublease of 4" (102 mm) of gravel or crushed rock is sufficient but may vary (consult your local Home Centre). Either mix your own concrete or have it delivered to your site. A 10' x 10' x 4" (3.05 m. x 3.05 m. x 10.2 cm.) slab will require approximately 1 cubic yard (0.764 cubic metre) of concrete. In any case, make sure you excavate the slab area to a depth of 6" (15.2 cm.), use 4" (10.2 cm.) of gravel as your subbase. Welded wire mesh as reinforcing (optional) and 4" (10.2 cm.) of concrete (trowel to allow for drainage away from the centre high point). Still use 1" (2.54 cm.) thick patio stones on the concrete slab to allow adequate air circulation to keep the floor joist dry. This will prevent dry rot from setting in.

#### 4. POURING CONCRETE PIER POINTS USING SAUNA TUBES

Another option would be the pouring of concrete pier points using sauna tubes. Using the next page as a guide, place sauna tubes into the ground at each of the bearing points. Make sure the tops of the sauna tubes are level with the other. You may also wish to inbed metal straps into the concrete. These straps will be nailed to the joist structure.

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Suggested stone placement for floor stabilization.

#### NOTE:

This layout shows 12" x 12" [305x305] patio stones with a 2" [51] exposure around floor joist system. Make adjustments as necessary.

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## FOUNDATION PREPARATION

1. Use a 2x3 or 2x4 straight piece of lumber on edge and a carpenter's level to level the perimeter patio stones. Add or remove soil under each stone until it is flush with the bottom of the 2x4 as shown in Fig. 1. Continue this procedure with the stones until you are satisfied all the stones are level with one another.

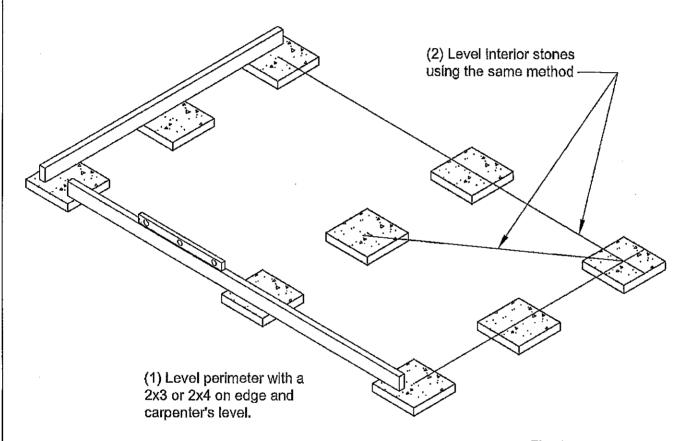
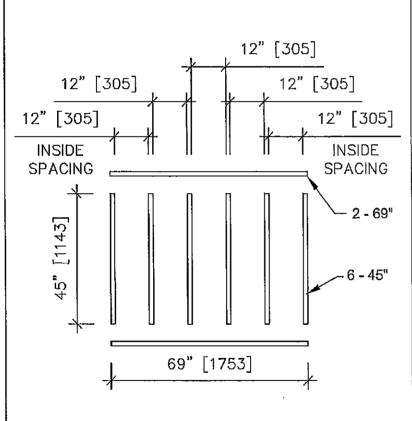


Fig. 1

## JOIST BOX ASSEMBLY

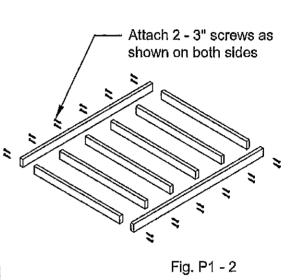
Lay the joist parts out as per Fig P1 - 1. Using 2 - 3" screws per joint, assemble the joist box together as per Fig P1 - 2. The completed joist box is pictured in Fig P1 - 3.

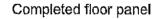


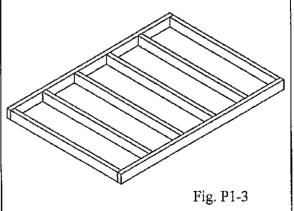
69" x 45" floor panel layout. Fig. P1 - 1

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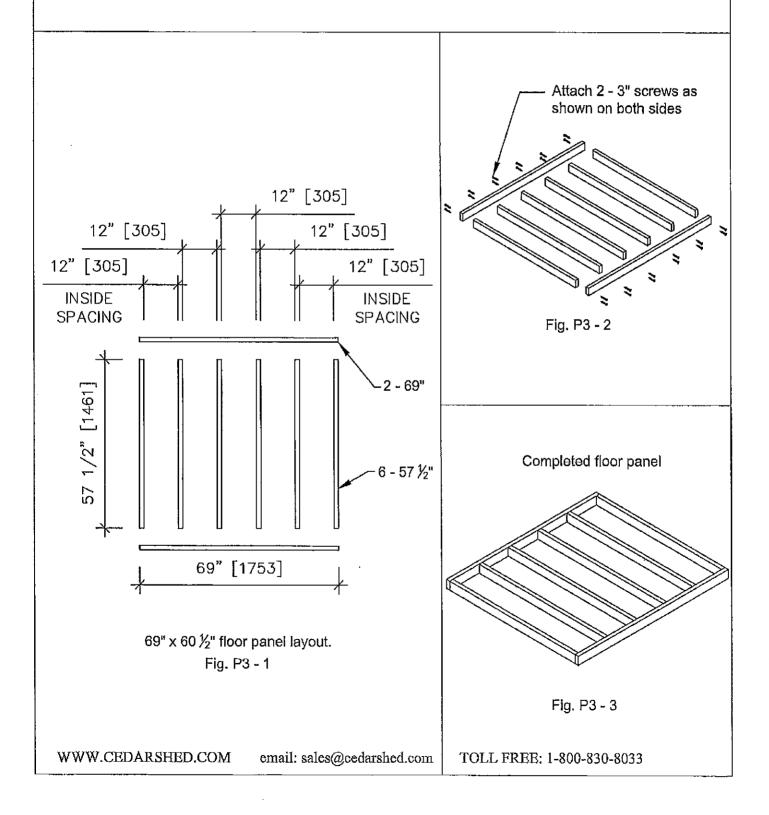




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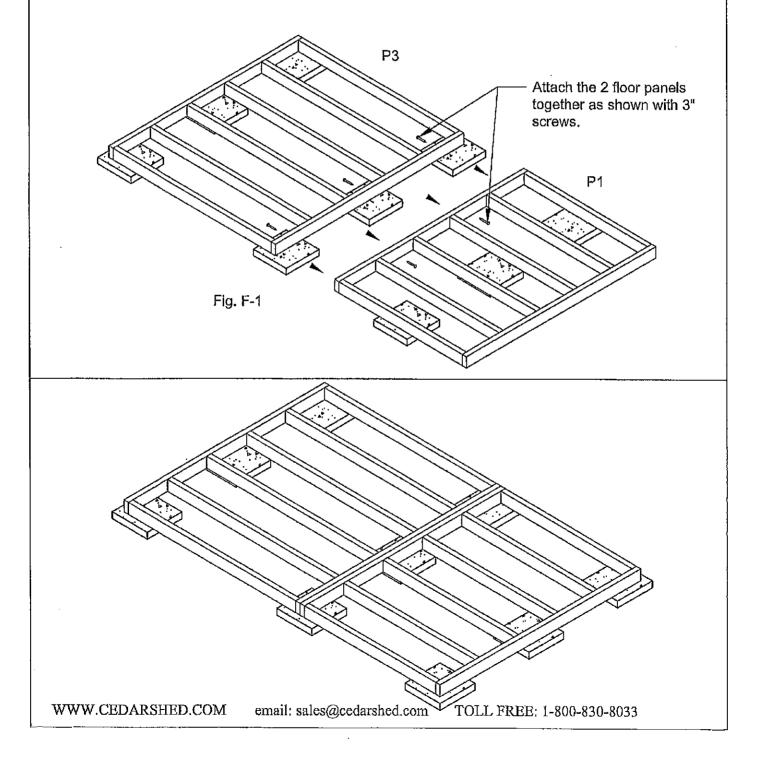
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Lay the joist parts out as per Fig P3 - 1. Using 2 - 3" screws per joint, assemble the joist box together as per Fig P3 - 2. The completed joist box is pictured in Fig P3 - 3.



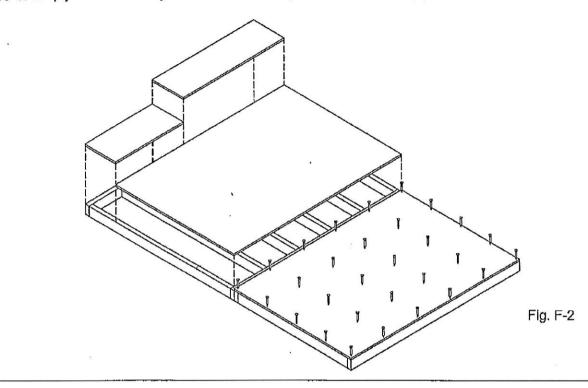
#### 6x9 Floor

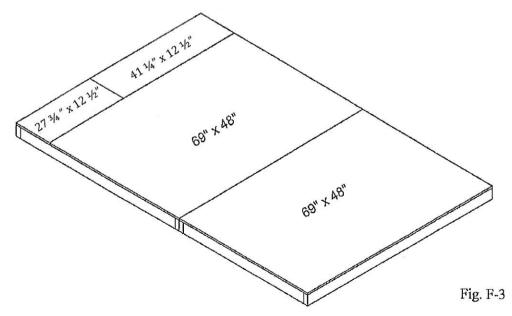
- 1. Take the box P1 and P3 and by using 5-3" screws attach together. Take the attached box frames and lay it over top of the patio stones as per Fig. F-1. This completes the joist frame.
- 2. Now check the joist frame for level. It is very important to have a level floor. Making sure the floor is level will make the installation of wall and roof panels much easier. If need be, adjust the height of the joist frame by using some of the packaging pieces of cedar that came with the shed as shims.



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Now lay the plywood sheets over top of the frame. See Fig -2 for details using the 2" screws, affix the plywood using a screw every 12" on center on each of the joint members (rows). As an example, to affix the 69" x 48" plywood sheet to joist frame would require 30 - 2" screws (6 joist members by 5 screws per row).





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