Tubs and Showers on Exterior Walls

Tubs and showers on exterior walls should be separated from the wall cavities by sheathing the wall with Oriented Strand Board, plywood or Thermoply™ prior to setting the tub or shower. This helps prevent air leakage and moisture vapor movement into the exterior walls.





Pictures two through five have been separated during framing. The framer might be the best person to insulate behind the sheathing. Often, this area is not accessible after framing.







