

How do I cut profiles?

Schluter® profiles are available in a variety of different materials ,so methods for cutting vary. Below are best practices for cutting according to material type.

Plastic

Plastic profiles may be cut using Schluter®-SNIPS or similar. It is important to make sure the blade is sharp in order to ensure a clean cut.

Aluminum

One option for cutting aluminum profiles is to simply use a hacksaw. Look for a bimetal blade and select the highest teeth per inch, or TPI, available. A miter box is recommended to help ensure a straight cut. Aluminum profiles may also be cut using a variable-speed angle grinder with the Schluter-PROCUT-TSM cutting wheel. Set the angle grinder to the lowest speed. A clamp or cutting jig can be used to secure the profile and help ensure a straight, clean cut. Finally, aluminum profiles can also be cut using a chop saw or miter saw with a non-ferrous blade. After cutting, make sure to remove any burs with a file before installation.

Stainless Steel

The simplest option for cutting stainless steel is to use a variable-speed angle grinder with the Schluter-PROCUT-TSM cutting wheel. Set the angle grinder to the lowest speed. Another option for cutting stainless steel profiles is to use a band saw with a metal cutting blade. After cutting, make sure to remove any burs with a file before installation.

Please see the "Best Practices for Cutting Schluter®-Systems Profiles" Tips, Tricks, FAQ video for information.