

## TECHNICAL BULLETIN: 6/20/2024

### Removing a Panel

#### Rivet Installation

To remove a panel installed with rivets, drill through the rivets with a bit slightly larger than the 3/16" diameter of the shank of the rivet. Drill until the rivet breaks apart. The head will fall off and the rest of the rivet can be pushed through. It's best practice to remove the outermost rivets first and work towards the middle two fixed point rivets, holding the panel up while removing the final rivets

#### Screw Installation

Screws may be removed using a Torx20 drill bit. It's best practice to remove the outermost screws first and work towards the middle two fixed point screws, holding the panel up while removing the final screws.

#### Dynamic Bond Installation

If a panel installed with Dynamic Bond Adhesive Glue must be removed, a string saw must be used to saw off the adhesive from top to bottom. String saw may be obtained from AFC or elsewhere. Care must be taken to not damage surrounding panels.

#### Notes

If the panel is to be reinstalled, store flat in a safe dry area. Moisture can damage the surface of the panel, and storing leaning against a wall can permanently bow the panel.

If removing the panel is warranty claim related, contact AFC and take images of the panel before and after removal.