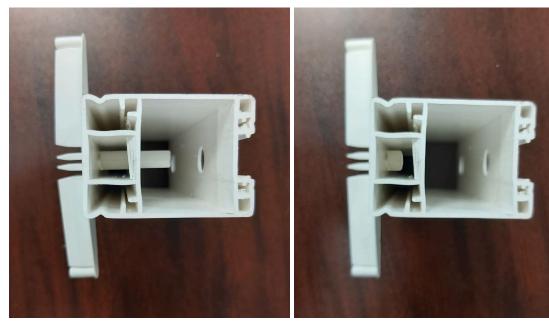


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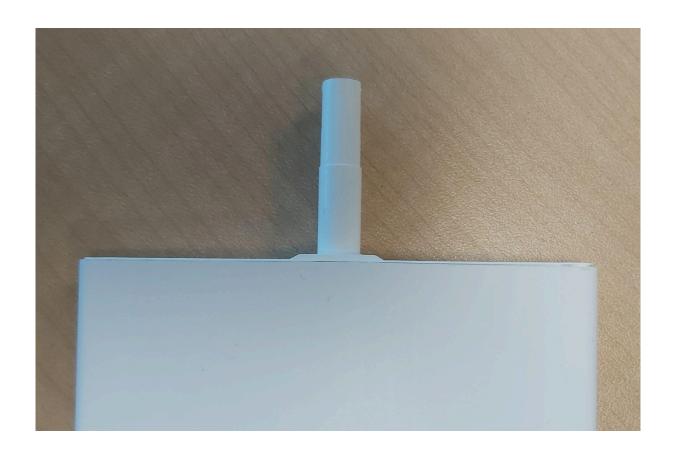
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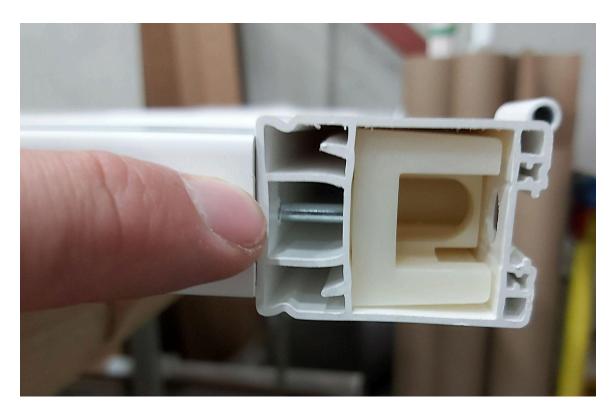
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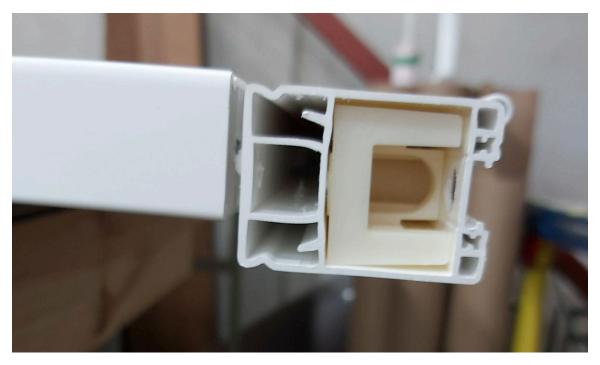




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Step 3 - Prepare the Tension Rod

- A. Take the appropriate sized tension rod (large or small) depending on the amount of louvers in the section you are adding tension to or depending on louver size.
- B. Use pliers or snips to bend a corner of the tension rod. It only needs to be bent slightly, this ensures that the tension rod does not slide down to the bottom of the panel through usage.





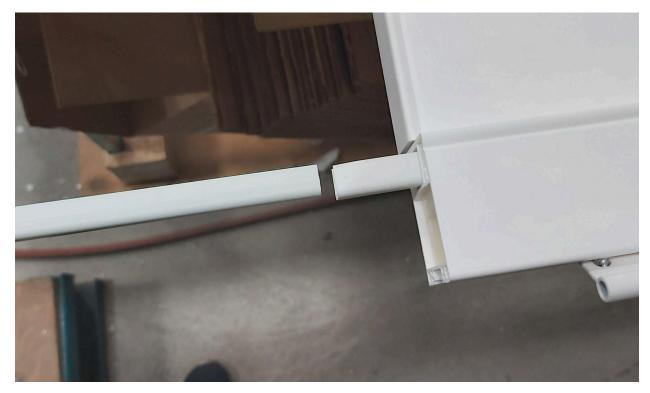




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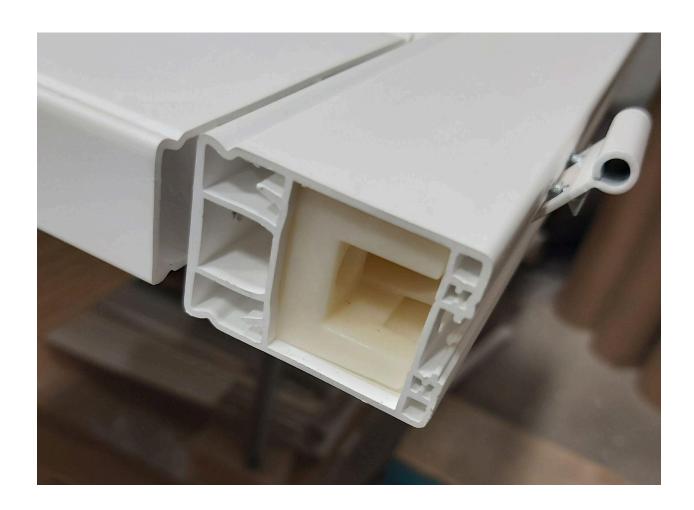
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Step 5 - Reassembling the Panel

- A. If you have taken the jamb insert out, be sure to reinsert it back into the jamb prior to reassembly.
- B. Make sure that the square side is facing out of the jamb and the circled end is facing inside the jamb. This affects how the panel locks fit back into the jamb after assembly.
- C. Insert the screws back into the rails, not fully, and tighten slightly until the louvers are snug in the jamb.
- D. From there, you can slide the louvers into the hole in the jamb and have the other side of the louvers come out of the hole slightly. Being gear, the louver will not fully come out and makes it easier for assembly. If you are working with Tilt Bar or Rear Tilt you need to be careful because if you pull too much the louver will pop out of the other jamb (the louver end cap is the same size on both ends when working with Tilt Bar or Rear Tilt)
- E. Once the louvers are aligned in the holes you can now retighten the entire screw into the jamb.





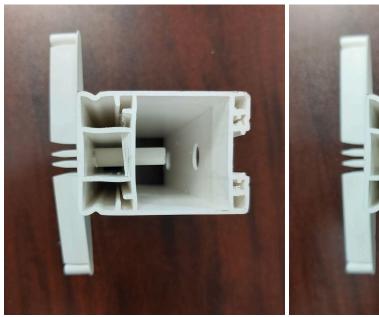


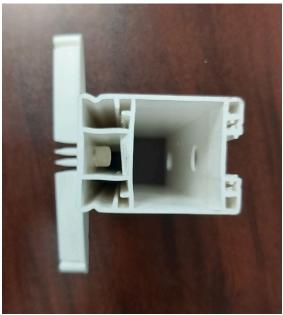


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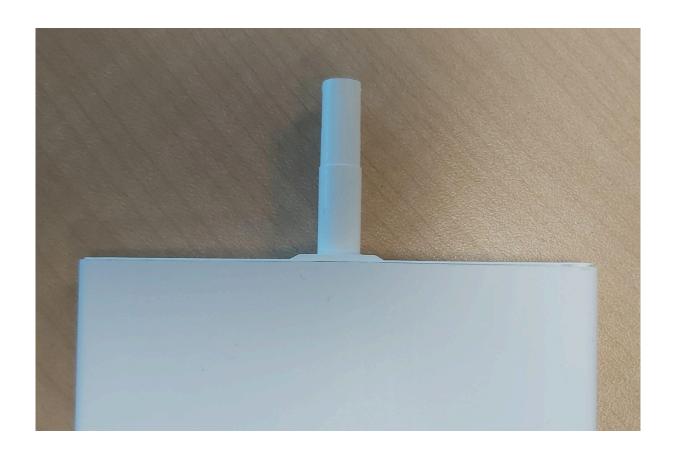
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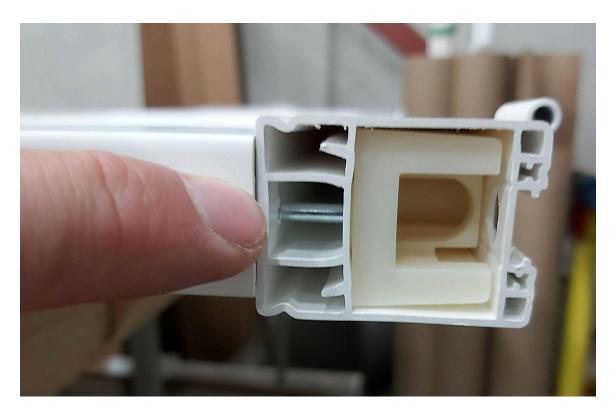
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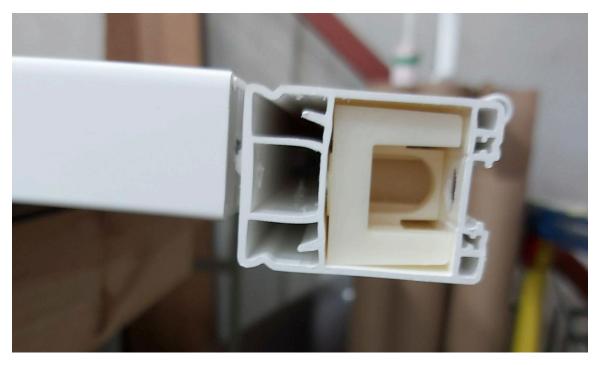




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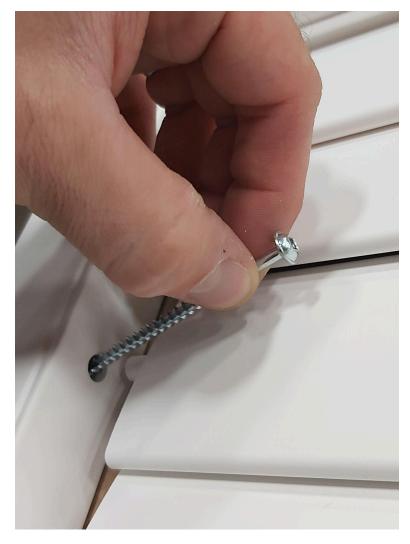


Step 3 - Partially Take Out the Louvers

- A. You will need to pull the jamb apart so that the louvers come out of the jamb so you are able to remove the tension rod
- B. You can either tip the jamb upwards so the tension rod slides out, or you can use a screw or a screwdriver to shimmy the tension rod out of the jamb.







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