# ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS: STUCCO COLUMN

Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4



Figure 5



Figure 6

#### READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS FIRST BEFORE STARTING INSTALLATION.

Our stucco column comes ready to install over your 4" x 4" wood post. It has a styrofoam core with a ready-to-paint stucco exterior. As an option, we offer three paint choices: Sandstone, Burnt Tuscan, or Slate Gray. Custom coloring is available, please call for more information.

Columns with our double coat option are typically used if you will not be applying a final stucco finished coat. The second layer of cement coating is thicker and stronger than the standard single coat and may be better suited in areas of higher potential surface impact, such as around driveways and other high-traffic areas.

### **Assembly Instructions:**

## Step 1

- 1. Establish a safe location for your column installation. Allow for enough setback as to not interfere with the street.
- 2. Dig a hole 18" to 24" deep and 8" to 10" round (depending on soil conditions).
- 3. Determine your post length: the post should come up through the bottom of the column to about 1" below the top of the column's lowest mailbox or accessory hole. Use 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" pressure treated lumber.
- 4. Pour cement to top of hole, leveling the concrete to a smooth and even surface.
- 5. Clear the area around the post: create a 24" x 24" smooth and even surface.
- 6. Allow concrete to set 24 hours prior to column installation (Fig. 1).

#### Step 2

- 1. Dry fit the column over the post, this might require help from a friend (Fig. 2). Before you apply adhesive to the post, make sure it fits properly and looks level.
- 2. Apply a liberal amount of Loctite® PL Premium® Polyurethane Construction Adhesive (or exterior grade clear silicone) to the post on all 4 sides so you will have good contact once the column is slid back over the post. Fit the column over the post with adhesive (or silicone) in place, making sure to shim at the bottom of the column to keep the column plumb and level.
- 3. Allow adhesive to dry, making sure the column is plumb. Drying time will vary depending on weather conditions.
- 4. If a mailbox or other accessory items were not attached to the column when it arrived, you can attach them using the same adhesive or silicone (Fig. 3, 4). Shims may be required to get a uniform look.
- 5. Allow adhesive to dry, making sure your mailbox or accessory is level. Drying time will vary depending on weather conditions.
- 6. If you purchased the masonry flag option, you will need to cut a small slot in the side of the column to mount the flag. Use a drywall saw or similar (hand tool, not a power tool). Please use caution when cutting the slot. Try to keep the slot small and tight (Fig. 5). Dry fit the masonry flag "L" bracket into the column. If it fits well, then apply adhesive into the slot and slide the masonry flag "L" bracket into the column (Fig. 6).



