

# **How to Create Metal Framing for Sheetrock**

## **Safety Precautions**

- Everyone should wear safety glasses
- Gloves may be needed to pick up finished walls
- Ear plugs when metal is being cut
- Face protection for anyone using the hand saw
- Drywall masks while cutting and moving sheet rock
- Must use multiple people to move finished walls to avoid injury

## **Tools and Materials**

- Drill
- Circular hand saw
- Square edge
- Measuring tape
- Safety glasses
- Gloves
- Dry wall mask
- ¼ inch screws (for metal framework)
- Permanent marker (sharpie)
- Chalk Line
- C-Channels (steel)
- Metal Studs (steel)

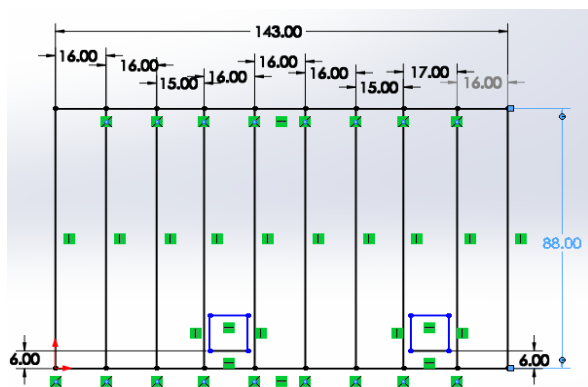
## **Wall Prep**

- 1) Measure out the width of the wall
- 2) Measure out the height of the wall
- 3) Draw a diagram of the frame work (make sure studs are spaced so that there is between 12 and 18 inches in between but make the wall have even spacing)
- 4) Check that spacing allows at least an inch on either side of the vent for wiggle room and so the saw can fit with the metal stud
- 5) Mark out the hole spaces that the vents need
- 6) Measure and Cut the C-channels and studs to the appropriate length (make sure all are same direction up when cutting)

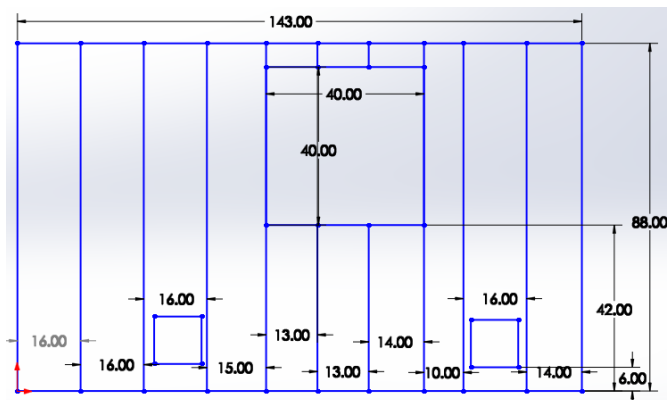
## **Building (Frame)**

- 1) Follow safety precautions
- 2) Place 2 C-channels on the ground parallel to each other and start marking the studs as you measure along
- 3) Insert outer edge studs and make the frame square before attaching to the C-channels with ¼ inch screws
- 4) Once edges are secure insert and secure the remaining studs, make sure these are all facing the same direction and all the holes line up. Use ¼ inch screws again on both sides of the frame
- 5) Square the frame

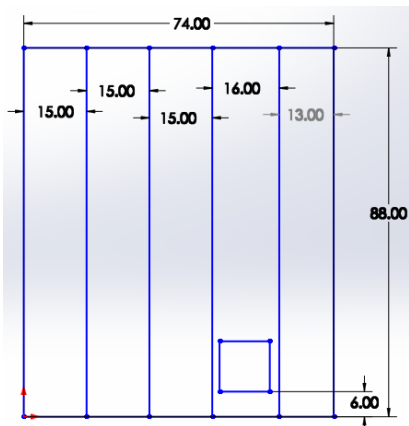
Measurements used for current container



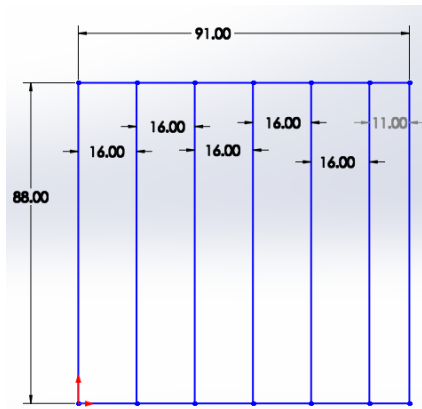
Large wall without window



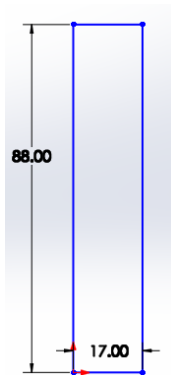
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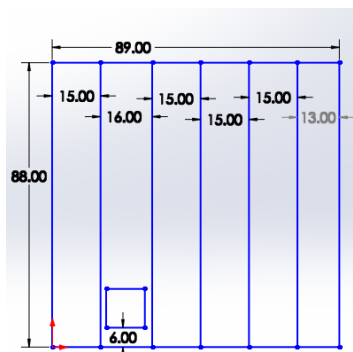
Wall parallel to rolling door in small compartment



Center wall



Small wall next to rolling door



Wall parallel to center divider in small compartment