Masons Form Instructions

The Ironhaus mason form benefits the contractor, mason and home owner in several ways. The form provides a predictable template for the mason while guaranteeing a final straight edge for a door to cover later. Since custom doors can take 4-6 weeks to build, and a mason form takes generally less than a week, work flows can be continued without delays. Doors can be installed easily later, after the mess and risk of damage from construction is over.

1. Mason forms can be used for any wood burning fireplace during construction. Shown here is an Isokern-Firerock Type masonry fireplace. **Arrow 1** - allow for firebrick thickness if firebrick hasn’t been installed. **Arrow 2** - determine the top of the fireplace opening that is desired. Many times this is lower than the lintel bar, but it doesn’t have to be. This fireplace doesn’t yet have firebrick, so we allow for the firebrick thickness and lowered it as well to where we wanted the final opening height.

2. This mason form was requested with a 1 ½ “ thickness to allow for 1 ½ -2 “ rock. When ordering you will need to determine how deep you want this metal return as that is where the door will eventually be installed. Ex. With 6” rock you might order a 4” mason form that when installed to the fireplace will place the doors 2” back from the outside face of the rock.

Shown is one of the attachment methods that can be applied. Use a masonry fastener that suits your particular circumstance, ie masonry fasteners on masonry, etc (not provided).

The final application is shown before doors are installed. Doors can be placed after all the construction is done, keeping them safe from damage.