

Chapter 3 – Marking Studs on Interior Wall Plates

<p>Lay Out Studs</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lay out the studs on 24" centers on both top and bottom plates <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. If the wall intersects an exterior wall, start from the exterior wall end. b. If the wall intersects another interior wall, start layout to match likely sheetrock installation. 2. For walls adjoining the stair opening, one wall typically includes a sliding closet door next to the exterior wall. If so, start the layout of <u>both side walls</u> by placing a stud 22" from the edge of the stairway opening. Layout studs in both directions 24" o.c. (This aids in installing the platform over the stairway.) <div data-bbox="626 680 984 1157" data-label="Diagram"> </div> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Locate the plates labeled "13³/₄" WALL/10³/₄" STUDS" and layout two end studs and one interior stud 24" o.c. b. If there is no closet, start layout at the exterior wall as usual. 3. Make certain that door rough openings are at least 3" from the end of the wall to permit later installation of door trim. 4. When complete, label top and bottom plates and tack together with duplex nails. Mark compass orientation and label both plates and deck with identifying number or letter.
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