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The system is coated with a baked-on porcelain-like "Porcelpas" paint. It also includes built-in magnetic and compression weatherstripping, a two-piece thermal break threshold, an adjustable doorsweep, and a recess that accepts a standard screen door. The manufacturer claims that Adjust-A-Trim has a lower installed cost than a wood door with brick-mold casings. It's also supposedly easy enough for one

Contact: Benchmark Inquiry Dept.,
P.O. Box 7387, Fredericksburg, VA
22404; 800/467-2329.

Contact: Laticrete International Inc.,
One Laticrete Park North, Bethany,
CT 06525; 800/243-4788.

Contact: Celotex Corp., P.O. Box 31602, Tampa, FL 33631; 813/873-1700.

What makes *EZ-Shim* different from other plastic shims is that it's designed with the door installer in mind. EZ-Shims are made of 100% recycled plastics and measure 1 1/4 inches by 8 inches each. The manufacturer has precut a series of break points into the surface.



Once in place, a simple tap of the hammer snaps the shim at one of these break points, leaving it perfectly trimmed. Each sheet of ten EZ-Shims is scored so you can separate either a single shim or break off two or more together when you need a wide shim. The retail price is \$1.29 per sheet of ten.

Contact: EZ-Shim, Inc., 123 Santa Barbara St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101; 800/788-8945.

Flexible Moldings



Trimming arched windows and other curved architectural features is a breeze with *flexible moldings*. These polymer products resemble traditional wood moldings, but handle like dense rubber. You can bend them around a fairly tight radius — though just how tight depends on the molding's width,

thickness, and profile. They can be nailed, drilled, cut, fastened, and glued like wood. The plastic moldings are impervious to rusting, cracking, and other forms of decay, so you can use them inside or outside. Manufacturers offer standard profiles and can also fill custom orders.

Contact: Zago Manufacturing Co. Inc., 240 M.L. King Blvd., Newark, NJ 07102; 201/643-6700.

The Crowning Touch Inc., 8902 Rosehill Rd., Lenexa, KS 66215; 800/444-0462.

Flex Trim Industries Inc., P.O. Box 4227, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730; 800/356-9060.

Reversible Kitchen Sink



Swanstone solid surfacing now offers an *Adaptable Double-Bowl Kitchen Sink* that can be mounted beneath or on top of the counter, and with the drain board on the right or the left. Either way the sink is installed, it readily accepts faucet hardware.

The 20x39³/₈-inch sink is constructed from a stain and impact-resistant solid surfacing material that's easily repaired if scratched or gouged. It comes in 18 colors and with a 10-year limited warranty. Available accessories include a cutting board, a plastic colander, and a wire utility basket.

Contact: Swanstone, Dept. 269, One City Centre, St. Louis, MO 63101; 314/231-8148. ■