CURRIES drywall frames are available in 18, 16, or 14 gauge cold-rolled steel. These frames are manufactured to provide clean, sharp lines, rigid corner construction, and fine miter lines on all joints. They are designed to go into an opening after the wall is up, and they are available to accommodate practically any wall thickness. Frames receive a factory baked-on coat of rust inhibitive primer, and are also available with factory baked-on enamel. (Request our paint selector card.) They can be used in drywall construction using steel studs, wood studs, or laminated boards. Frames are available for either 1-3/8" (35) or 1-3/4" (44) thick doors.

- Narrow Face Frames—CURRIES offers preengineered, knock-down (KD) drywall frames with face dimensions of 2-1/2" (38) or 1-3/4" (44).
- Frame Sizes—Available to match door sizes, in any combination of singles or pairs. Non-standard width or height frames are available on special order. Double-rabbet profiles are available with 4" (102) face heads.

**CM Series Frames**

Frames shall be CM Series as manufactured by CURRIES of Mason City, Iowa. Frames are to be fabricated of either cold rolled or galvannealed steel (as specified) of either 18, 16, or 14 gauge. Frames shall be welded corner construction, double return back bend (to prevent cutting into the wallboard). Frames shall be thoroughly cleaned and receive an iron phosphate treatment prior to receiving one coat of baked on prime paint. Frames are to be reinforced only for surface mounted hardware, with drilling and tapping to be done in the field by others. Minimum requirements for hardware reinforcements are to be as follows: Hinge Reinforcing-7 gauge, Lock Strike Reinforcing-14 gauge conforming to template requirements and closer reinforcing-14 gauge.

**C Frame Installation Details**

For Over-The Wall Knock-Down (KD) Drywall Frames:

**NOTE:** It is particularly important that the overlapping of steel vertical and horizontal studs be avoided, since this produces oversized walls. This, in turn, could create significant installation problems when drywall frames are used.

1. Construct the wall with a rough opening height equal to the finished opening height plus 3/4" (19) to 1" (25) maximum. A rough opening width is as follows:
   a) For 2" (51) face frames—opening width plus 2-1/8" (54) to 2-3/8" (60).
   b) For 1-3/4" (38) and 1-1/2" (44) face frames—opening width plus 2" (51).

2. If a wrap around (optional) base anchor is used, notch the drywall in that area.

3. Retract the compression bars in the jambs and install one jamb in position on the wall.

4. Insert the frame head under the corner clips of the head to attach the head to the corners of the head to attach the head to the

5. Square the top of the frame, and tighten the compression bars by turning the screws counterclockwise. (Do not over tighten).

6. Locate a removable frame spacing bar at the base of the centered frame to maintain proper opening width during the installation.

7. Square and plumb the frame, and install the base anchor screws through the countersink holes in the frame face and into the floor plate.

8. Square the top of the frame, and tighten the compression bars by turning the screws counterclockwise. (Do not over tighten).

9. Install (4) No. 8 x 1/2" (13) sheet metal screws at the corners of the head to attach the head to the jambs. (Required for UL rated frames).