

# VGT and S/VGT2.5 Variable-Pitch Girder Tiedowns

The variable-pitch girder tiedown, S/VGT2.5, is a high-capacity tiedown for single-or multi-ply CFS girder trusses. It attaches with self-drilling screws from the side of the truss. The VGT uses Simpson Strong-Tie SDS series screws for wood truss applications. They both feature a predeflected crescent washer which allows them to accommodate top-chord pitches up to 8/12.

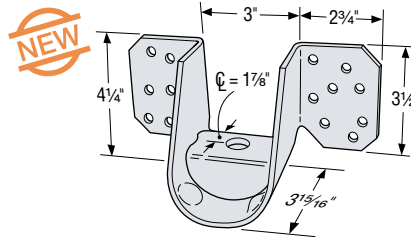
**MATERIAL:** 171 mil (7 ga)

**FINISH:** Galvanized

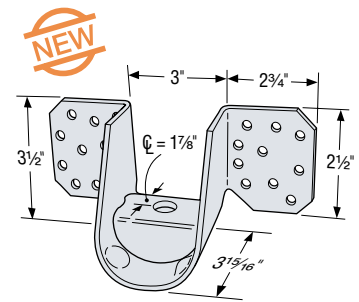
**INSTALLATION:** • Use all specified fasteners

- Screw holes are configured to allow for double installation on multi-member girders.
- Install washer component (provided) so that top of washer is horizontal and parallel with top of wall.

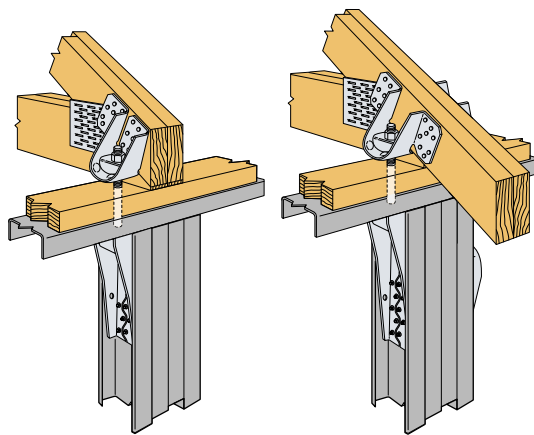
**CODES:** See page 8 for Code Listing Key Chart.



**VGT**  
U.S. Patent Pending

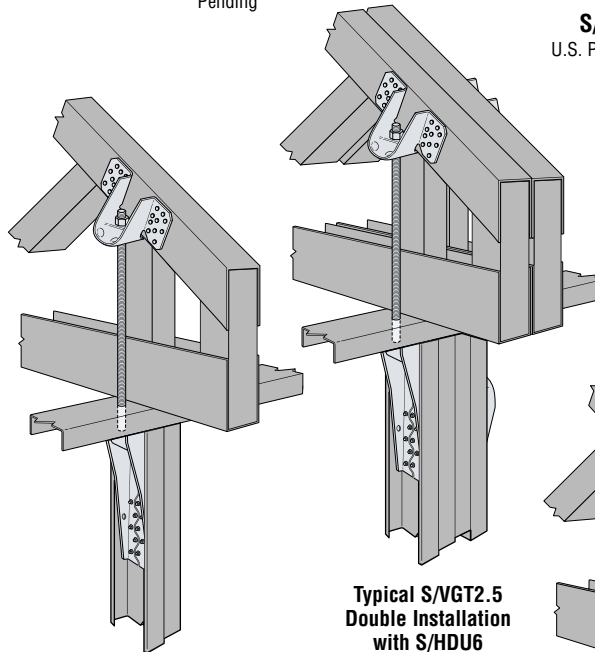


**S/VGT2.5**  
U.S. Patent Pending



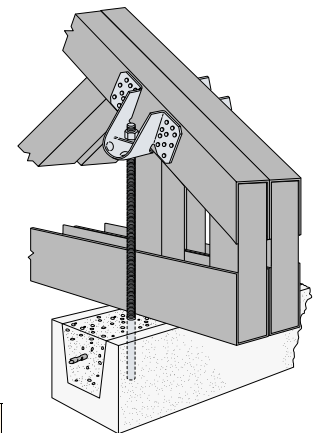
**Typical Hybrid VGTR**  
Single Installation  
with S/HDU4

**Typical Hybrid VGTR**  
Double Installation  
with S/HDU6



**Typical S/VGT2.5**  
Double Installation  
with S/HDU6

**Typical S/VGT2.5**  
Single Installation



**Typical S/VGT2.5**  
Installation in CMU

Model No.	Quantity	No. of Truss Plies	Fasteners		Allowable Uplift Loads <sup>2</sup>		Code Ref.
			Anchor Dia.	Girder Truss	3/12	8/12	
<b>Cold-Formed Steel Connection</b>					<b>54mil (16ga)</b>		
S/VGT2.5 (min)	1	1	1 - 5/8"	16 - #14	3050	2620	170
	2	2	2 - 5/8"	32 - #14	6100	5240	
S/VGT2.5 (max)	1	1	1 - 5/8"	20 - #14	3860	3130	
	2	2	2 - 5/8"	40 - #14	7720	6260	
<b>Hybrid Connection</b>					<b>Allowable Uplift Loads<sup>3</sup> up to 8/12</b>		<b>Code Ref.</b>
					<b>DF/SP (160)</b>	<b>SPF/HF (160)</b>	
VGT	1	2	1 - 5/8"	16 - SDS 1/4"x3"	4940	3555	F26
	2	2	2 - 5/8"	32 - SDS 1/4"x3"	7185	5175	
	2	3	2 - 5/8"	32 - SDS 1/4"x3"	8890	6400	
VGTR/L	1	2	1 - 5/8"	16 - SDS 1/4"x3"	2230	1605	
	2	2	2 - 5/8"	32 - SDS 1/4"x3"	5545	3990	

1. Designer shall insure attached members are adequately designed to resist applied loads.  
 2. Straight-line interpolation can be used to determine allowable loads for pitches between 3/12 and 8/12.  
 3. Allowable loads on wood have been increased 60% for wind or earthquake loading with no further increase allowed; reduce where other load duration factors govern.