

Rapier Star®



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Available in the Pro Performance®

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A Breakthrough in Performance

Welcome to...

“Do you believe you can change things, improve things, solve problems?

We feel we can make things easier by developing extraordinary fasteners that exceed the expectations of the customers we serve.

As companies strive for greater efficiencies they expect high performance products, better services, faster response times and added value in their relationships with suppliers.

Whether straightforward transactional business or the development of fully integrated supply chain solutions, our customers are confident that they will always receive quality products and a consistently positive service.

Will your company take advantage of the research and development of one of Europe's leading fastener suppliers?

We are grateful for your interest and are always pleased to make personal contacts. If you would like to know more about our products or service, just get in touch. You will find our details on the reverse of this brochure, or you can visit **rapierstar.com** for more information.

Welcome to the next generation of fasteners.”



David Furness
Managing Director





**Rapier
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Your Safe Partner

Your warranty of high quality, superior performance fasteners is the **RapierStar**[®] trademark, synonymous with both our company and products wherever we trade.

Feel greater confidence because we invest fully in our industry leading Quality Assurance Test Facility to ensure compliance with relevant European standards.

Receive exclusive, patent protected products, produced by the world's most respected manufacturers and widely specified for social and commercial contracts.

Remove the complexities of importation. Access our proven global supplier network and have your 'specials' produced to your exact specification.



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East Anglia Distribution

Düsseldorf
European Distribution

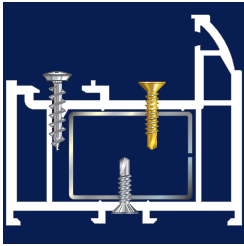
Derive benefits from our experienced and dedicated team, renowned for their helpful manner and the quality of their technical support.

Enjoy the highest possible service levels, supported by inventory held locally in Ireland, the United Kingdom and at our German sister company, supplying across mainland Europe.



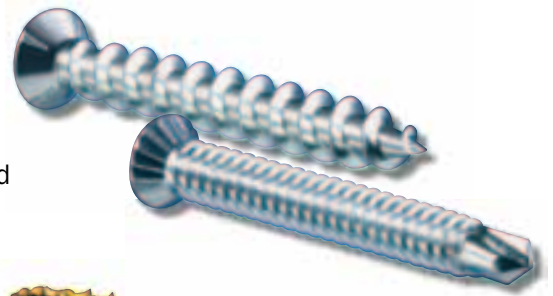
Award Winning Products

RapierStar® is a well-established European brand, ensuring complete professional and consumer confidence. Only products that provide outstanding performance carry this name.



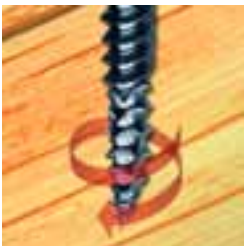
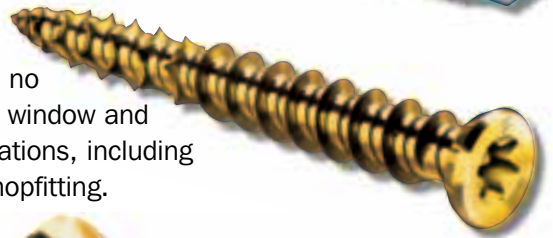
Rapier® StarPVCU

Market leading Window Screws, the safe choice for all window, door and conservatory applications. Includes plated Carbon Steel and corrosion resistant Stainless Steel ranges.



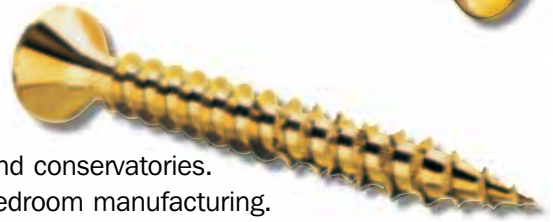
Rapier® StarFix

High performance Direct Frame Anchors, with no plug required, for a faster installation. Secure window and door installation and all common fixing applications, including kitchen, bedroom, plumbing, electrical and shopfitting.



Rapier® StarTurn

The highest quality Universal Woodscrews. Quicker assembly for wooden window, door and conservatories. For all timber joinery, including kitchen and bedroom manufacturing. Quick starting in softwood, hardwood, chipboard, MDF, plastics and thin sheet steel.



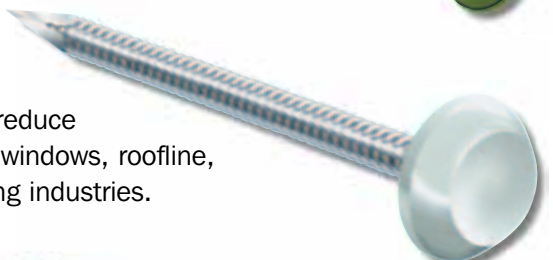
Rapier® StarDeck

Specially developed Decking Screw range, for use with Tanilith E and ACQ treated timber. Ideal for decks, fencing, walkways and all outdoor applications.



Rapier® StarPin

Stainless steel, high impact Polypins & Nails reduce breakages and wastage. Applications include windows, roofline, fencing, signage, caravan and portable building industries.



Rapier® StarLok

No pre-drilling, even into large pressure treated timber beams. Easy installation of joists and posts, landscaping, fences, stairs, rafters and more.

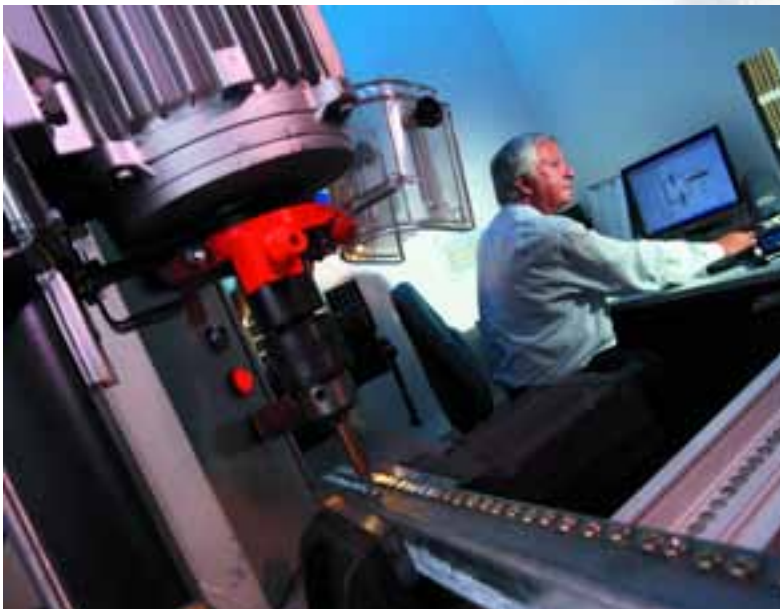


With many other screws also provided, our professional teams of application consultants are available to solve your individual assembly problems. A full range of installation fixings and fabrication consumables are also available.



Quality Assurance

You can be confident that quality assurance is our highest priority. In addition to our manufacturers' commitment to quality, we invest in our own test facilities. This enables us to continually check fasteners under various types of load occurring in practical use. We also test for speed of insertion, plating depth, recess fit, accelerated corrosion and much more.



Quality Assurance Test Facility

ISO 9001 and Investors in People

Your confirmation that we work to a universally accepted mandate of Quality and Process Control. ISO9001:2000 accreditation supports our consistently high level of service. We choose to work with reliable suppliers who also operate a certified quality system.

In order to provide you with a professional service, the skills of our workforce are continually being upgraded through further training and development.

This commitment has been recognised by the achievement of the Investors In People development standard.

Specification Support & Customer Care

Our well-qualified and experienced team provide you with a 'knowledge advantage' to help you find the optimum, cost effective solution.

Specification support includes technical advice, factory 'Health Check' fastener audits and warranty assurance for commercial contracts.

Feel confident that our quality fasteners are widely recommended by system companies, many leading hardware suppliers and also approved by Europe's largest manufacturers.

Our superior performance fasteners and fixings are proven in the PVCU, Fascia, Aluminium and Timber markets.



Profile specific fastener guides

More Than Superior Fasteners...



RapierStar® GmbH, European distribution near Düsseldorf

Infrastructure

Our centrally located Head Office and UK Distribution Centre includes all business support functions. To maintain service levels, inventory is held locally in Ireland, the UK and also Germany, whose sophisticated infrastructure provides excellent access to customers across mainland Europe. Each of our premises is situated close to an airport, making it quick and easy for customers of each branch to call upon the considerable expertise of the whole **RapierStar®** team.

Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)



Constant investment in the latest computer technology and training maximises customer service and also assists customers with accurate reporting information.

A single ERP solution (Microsoft Business Solutions – Navision) runs throughout our organisation, realising significant operational efficiencies and cost savings. A modern computer system also makes it easy to work across national borders.

Solutions Provider

Specialists in inventory supply systems, with the flexibility to accommodate bespoke Kanban services. With reduced paperwork, demand driven supply and no goods receiving or warehousing, our customers benefit from improved productivity, increased focus on core activities and release of their capital.



Integrated supply chain solutions

Attractive Pricing

As leading experts we use our experience to investigate 'best value' manufacturers around the world. Our bulk purchasing achieves stability for our customers and ensures that you enjoy low prices.



Exclusive, patented and branded products

Rapier Star



Screws, fixings and consumables

One-Stop-Shop

In addition to our core competence in fastener technology, we have brought together the very best products for all your consumable needs. We understand your requirements because we have specialist experience in your field. By working in close co-operation we can decrease your number of suppliers and provide you with a complete single-source solution.

Distributors and Re-sellers

- Top quality, branded products
- Cost effective solutions
- Tailor made marketing materials
- Long-term partnerships
- Friendly and helpful attitude



A strong brand helps to grow your sales

With a strong brand, deep stocks and value for money ranges, we work closely with our customers to help them succeed in a competitive market place. A wide range of marketing support is provided, much of which can be tailored to individual customer's requirements. Strong brand recognition helps to build your sales with the end user. **RapierStar®** products are regularly promoted at top industry exhibitions, customer trade shows and through all the leading trade and consumer media.



Reliable next day delivery

Testimonials – We deliver on our promises

It is so unusual to experience great products or service that you want to let others know about it. Our partners are pleased with us, so they are happy to share their experience with others.

The best testimonials provide a detailed description of how companies in your market sector have benefited. Please ask us to provide industry specific references and case studies that you can relate directly to your own business.

Call today

Now you know a little more about us, we'd like to make your acquaintance to explain personally how we may be a good partner for **your** business. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

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