



**Diagnostic Nail Features**

Feature	Symbol	Meaning
1. Metal:	I, S	Iron, Steel
2. Mfg. Method	Hf, Ct, Dn	Hand-forged, Cut, Drawn
3. Grain (iron only)	↑ ↔	In Line, Cross
4. Point (cut only)	Rd, Ft	Round, Flat
5. Head Mfg.	Hd, Me	Hand, Machine
6. Burr (cut only)	Sf, Of	Same faces, Opposite faces
7. Pinch (cut only)	Si, Fa	Side, Face
8. Shaft Taper	4t, 2t, Ot	Taper on: 4 sides, 2 sides, no taper
9. Shaft Section	Sq, Re, Ro	Square, Rectangular, Round

FIGURE 8. Louisiana Nail Types















