To trim a short piece of steel to length is a straightforward ‘cut and peel’. Remember it’s the off-cut that gets peeled away as you cut. Make sure you dispose of the off-cut appropriately or better still, recycle it!

To cut a C-stud section, start by cutting an angle on the lip with either snip. This frees up material on the lip...

...and makes it easy to access the flange and finish the cut.

Cut the other flange so both sides are cut. Once both flanges have been cut, bend the piece back and forth until the section snaps apart.

This method also is useful for cutting ceiling and roof battens.

To cut roof battens, cut in at an angle on the lip to free up the lip material.

You now have access to each side of the batten for easy cutting.

As with the C-studs, the batten is easily snapped apart by folding it back and forth.
To **mitre cut** a roof batten, use a template or ruler to draw a guide. And like cutting C-studs, cut in at an angle to free up the lip material.

With the lip material freed up you can finish off the cut.

Remember to dispose of the off-cut appropriately.