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IKO #15 FELT LINES

In conventional application of plain felt used as an underlay beneath shingles, the felt is lapped 2" for single-ply application, and 17" for a two-ply application. To make this easier to do on the roof, during the production of the felt, lines are placed on the surface of the felt, 2" and 17" in from each edge. (On perforated felts used in built-up roof construction, lines are also placed on the felt at 8 ½" and 11 ¼" in from each edge. This allows for built-up roof construction in three or four plies.) See also Residential Information Bulletin #33 on metric felt line spacing.

Following the recent ice storm in eastern/central Canada, some roofers want to provide extra protection to the roof system by applying the felt with an increased overlap. An 8 ½" overlap is being used in some municipalities. As an aid to the roofer, IKO will apply, with all new production effective immediately, two additional lines, each on 8 ½" in from the edge of the sheet, on IKO #15 Plain Felt.

Please note that the laying lines on plain felt are used as a guide for felt overlapping only. Laying lines on felt should never be used as a gauge to align shingle courses or to measure shingle exposure. In these instances, chalk lines should be snapped on the felt surface after the felt has been unrolled and tacked in place on the roof deck.

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