



## RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION BULLETIN

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### BIRDS AND ROOFING

Generally, asphalt roofing materials, whether asphalt shingles on sloped roofs or modified bitumen/built-up roof membranes on flat roofs, perform very well under all types of exposure conditions. To a certain extent, this includes the effects of birds flying over or landing on the roofs. However, in extreme situations, large numbers of birds may “roost” in or on the roof materials. It is generally known that a build-up of bird excrement on asphalt roofing products can have deleterious effects over long term exposure, in some cases shortening the life of the roofing material. It has come to our attention that Bird-X Inc. of the United States provides various methods to reduce or eliminate the potential for this problem. (The company may be contacted at 1-800-662-5021 or at [www.bird-x.com](http://www.bird-x.com).) Please note that IKO has not tested or evaluated any of the products of Bird-X, and makes no warranty about their performance in eliminating birds or other pests from roofs.

If as a homeowner or building owner, you have concerns about the effects of roosting birds or other pests, it is suggested that you can contact Bird-X for further information.

For additional information on any of IKO's products or application requirements, visit us on the web at [www.iko.com](http://www.iko.com), or contact us in Canada at 1-888-766-2468, or the United States at 1-888-456-7663.

