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## THREE-TAB SHINGLE FASTENER PLACEMENT

For IKO's line of 3-tab asphalt shingles, the application instructions printed on each wrapper require that the nail be placed above the cutout, and below the shingle sealant spots. This is the most desired location because it ensures that the integrity of the sealant bond is protected should the underlying shingle lift in the wind, as well as ensuring that the nail catches the top headlap edge of the shingle two courses below. In some instances, due to slight variations in the sealant amount or sealant spot width, there may not be sufficient space to nail above the cutout and below the sealant. Should this situation occur, IKO recommends that the fastener be nailed in the sealant spot line, in a location as close to the cutout as possible, and in between sealant spots wherever practical. In all applications, it is most critical that the nail head be driven flush with the shingle surface so that it is not sitting up above the granular surfacing. If the nail head is raised above the surface of the shingle, it will lift the overlying shingle and prevent the contact required for proper sealant bond formation.

Please note that this variance for the allowance in fastener location arises only when there is insufficient room between the cutout and the sealant spot.

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