SHINGLE INSTALLATION – STARTER COURSE

When shingling a roof, it is necessary to install a starter course along the eaves. The starter course protects the roof by filling in the spaces under the cutouts and joints of the first course of shingles. Traditionally, either 3-tab strip shingles (with the tabs cutoff) or mineral surface roofing has been used. In order to simplify this application, IKO has developed two versions of starter shingles resulting in reduced waste and increased efficiency.

The Leading Edge Plus starter shingle (A) is a double shingle strip with a perforation down the middle of the shingle for easy separation. Simply “snap” the strip at the center perforation to yield two Leading Edge Plus shingles and install (B), overhanging eave edge by a nominal ¼” minimum. If the Leading Edge Plus shingle is approximately the same length as the roof shingles, trim 4” – 6” off the initial Leading Edge Plus shingle prior to installation. This will ensure that end joints in the starter course (C) will not occur directly beneath the end joints in the roof shingles.

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