



TECHNICAL BULLETIN

MIXING TRUDEFINITION® DURATION® SHINGLES WITH DURATION® SHINGLES PRODUCED PRIOR TO 2012

SUPERSEDES PREVIOUS BULLETINS

Issue Description:

In early 2012, the color blends on Duration® shingles were enhanced and changed to TruDefinition® colors. These newer TruDefinition® colors are more vibrant than the original formulation and they do not match the color formulation on earlier Duration® shingles. Duration shingles produced prior to 2012 can be identified by the mylar SureNail® nailing strip.

At that time, the length of TruDefinition® Duration® shingles was also increased by 5/8" to 39 3/8" from 38 3/4". Contractors must take extra care when making a repair on less than a full slope with Duration® produced prior to 2012. For any such repairs, all TruDefinition® Duration® shingles must be trimmed to fit in the space created by the removal of the shorter Duration® shingles. Do not overlap the ends of the shingles.

Recommendation

Due to the variance in shingle size and color, current TruDefinition® Duration® shingles should not be mixed with Duration shingles produced prior to 2012.

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April 5, 2019

Re: The use of Hip & Ridge and Starter with Limited Lifetime Shingles

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter confirms requirements for the use of Owens Corning Starter Shingles and Owens Corning Hip & Ridge shingles to maintain lifetime coverage per the terms of the Owens Corning Limited Warranties*

Starter Shingles:

The application instructions for any Owens Corning shingle with a Limited Lifetime Warranty including Oakridge Shingles, all Duration Series Shingles, and Weatherguard HP Shingles call for the use of an Owens Corning Starter Strip product.

The use of a 3-tab placed upside-down at the eave or scrap pieces of laminate shingles as a starter course is not acceptable.

Hip & Ridge Shingles:

The application instructions for any Owens Corning shingle with a Limited Lifetime warranty including Oakridge Shingles, all Duration Series Shingles, and Weatherguard HP shingles calls for the use of an Owens Corning Hip & Ridge Shingle. Owens Corning makes a variety of matching Hip & Ridge Shingles that are designed to bend over the ridge. They are tested and warranted per the terms of the warranty for wind performance in that location.

The use of scrap laminate shingles as ridge cap is not acceptable. The use of three-tab shingles as ridge cap does not meet the requirements of a lifetime roof system either. Three-tab shingles only carry a 25-year warranty and a 60-mph wind warranty.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bert Elliott'.

Bert Elliott
Director, Roofing Technical Services
Owens Corning

*See actual warranty for details.