

SELF-ADHESIVE  
**SHINGLE  
 STARTER**

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**DESCRIPTION** Shingle Starter™ is a self-adhering membrane that eliminates the need to cut shingle tabs. Shingle Starter comes with a seal strip to prevent wind uplift at the edge. The self-adhering application allows fast installation, saving time and labor. The membrane is waterproof and self-sealing around nails and other penetrations. Shingle Starter may be adhered directly to the roof deck or to most shingle underlayments.

**INTENDED USE** Shingle Starter is used to take the place of nailing a three tab shingle as the starter course. The aggressive adhesive used in Shingle Starter self-seals around fasteners such as nails, screws and staples. Additionally, it readily sticks to plywood, rigid foam insulation, metal and other common roof deck materials.

### INSTALLATION

- Roof deck or the surface Shingle Starter will be applied to must be clean and dry.
- Apply in dry weather at recommended temperatures of 40° F, or higher. If applying Shingle Starter below 40° F, it may be necessary to nail the product in place. Shingle Starter will adhere to the deck and shingle as weather warms.
- Only apply as much Shingle Starter as will be covered by shingles in 60 days.
- Making sure the seal strip is toward the eave, carefully align Shingle Starter, remove the release film and press Shingle Starter in place (Figure 1)
- When going from one roll to another, overlap 6 inches.
- Install the first course of shingles over Shingle Starter, nail and trim shingle overhang (Figure 2)

### CAUTION

- Concrete, masonry, OSB, DensDeck®, Fiberock® or similar must be fully cured and primed with an asphalt based primer for satisfactory adhesion.
- Do not apply over uncured solvents, sealants or silicone caulking! It is the installer's responsibility to ensure that all sealants used are compatible with ShingleStarter.

### WARNINGS

- Apply Shingle Starter only on areas that will receive shingles the same day – airborne dirt and debris can affect the seal tab's ability to properly seal to the shingle.
- Avoid falls when using ladders and scaffolding.
- Be sure any surface to receive Shingle Starter is structurally sound and will support the weight of the installer and any anticipated load.
- Not compatible with tar based roofing felt.



Figure 1



Figure 2