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Section 1507.2.9.3

Question:

Is it the intent of section 1507.2.9.3 to require a 4-inch width of roof cement for any and all drip edge installed over underlayment in lieu of installing such drip edge beneath underlayment?

Answer

No. If it is elected to install the drip edge metal over the underlayment at an eave, the code section(s) require a minimum four inch width of roof cement installed over the drip edge metal (This requirement is a Florida Specific Amendment to the base code). Ostensibly, to provide an enhanced sealing of the roof shingles and improved wind resistance at a vulnerable location on the roof. In the event the drip edge metal is installed at the eave under the underlayment the minimum four inch width of roof cement is not required. This eave configuration, while perhaps not as wind resistant, does allow for improved drainage of any water which may be blown under the shingles.

Commentary:

The code section(s) do not provide specific instructions regarding the treatment at the gables (rakes). In this case the product approval or manufacturer's instructions will provide necessary

guidance.

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