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PRODUCT EVALUATION RC-281

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*The following product has been evaluated for compliance with the wind loads specified in the **International Residential Code (IRC)** and the **International Building Code (IBC)**. This product shall be subject to reevaluation **June 2015**.*

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This product evaluation is intended for use by those individuals who are following the design wind load criteria in Chapter 3 of the IRC and Section 1609 of the IBC. The design loads determined for the building or structure shall not exceed the design load rating specified for the products shown in the limitations section of this product evaluation. This product evaluation does not relieve a Texas licensed engineer of his responsibilities as outlined in the Texas Insurance Code, the Texas Administrative Code, and the Texas Engineering Practice Act.

DECRA Shake, DECRA Tile, and DECRA Shingle Plus lightweight steel panels manufactured by

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will be acceptable in designated catastrophe areas along the Texas Gulf Coast when installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions and this product evaluation.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The lightweight steel roofing panels are pressure formed, 26 gauge, 55% aluminum-zinc alloy coated steel. The steel is coated with a corrosion-inhibiting acrylic primer, an acrylic resin base coat, an embedded stone granule surface, and a clear acrylic resin binder. Ridge, gable rake, and hip trim pieces are constructed similar to the panels. Flashing pieces are made from the same material as the panels, but may or may not have the stone granule coating. The panels may be installed directly to the roof deck, on a batten system consisting of nominal 2x2 battens attached to the roof deck, or on a batten system consisting of nominal 2x2 battens and 1x4 counterbattens attached to the roof deck.

Profile	Panel Dimension	Installed Exposure
Decra Tile	16.500" x 52.00"	14.500" x 50.00"
Decra Shake	14.625" x 53.00"	12.625" x 51.00"
Decra Shingle Plus	17.500" x 52.00"	14.500" x 50.00"

LIMITATIONS

Roof Decking: A minimum of 15/32 inch thick plywood sheathing.

New Roof Deck Attachment: The roof decking shall meet or exceed the uplift requirements of the International Residential Code or International Building Code and shall be installed as required for resistance to lateral wind loads.

Design Wind Pressures: The design pressure uplift load resistance shall be as specified in Table 1.

Table 1

System	Design Wind Pressure
1	-86.0 psf
2	-153.5 psf
3	- 78.5 psf
4	-146.0 psf

Installation Over an Existing Roof Covering: Installation over an existing roof covering is limited to a maximum of one existing layer of composition shingles, built-up roofing, or roll roofing applied over an existing, solid roof deck. The minimum thickness of roof deck shall be as required for a new metal roof installation. Note: Inspection of the existing roof deck must be made prior to the installation of the roof panels. The condition of the existing roof deck must be acceptable to receive the metal roofing panels before the metal roofing panel installation proceeds. A layer of underlayment over the existing roof covering is not required.

For all Applications: DECRA Shake, DECRA Tile, and DECRA Shingle Plus steel panels shall not be installed on roof slopes less than 3:12.

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

General: The metal roofing panels shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommended installation instructions and this product evaluation report.

Underlayment: A minimum of one layer of No. 30 (Type II) asphalt felt shall be used. The underlayment used shall comply with one or more of the following: ASTM D 226, ASTM D 4869, or ASTM D 1970. The underlayment shall be installed with 6-inch side laps and 3-inch end laps. The underlayment shall be applied with corrosion-resistant fasteners in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions. Fasteners shall be applied along the overlaps not farther apart than 36 inches on center.

Attachment of Metal Roofing Panels to Roof Deck: The metal roofing panels shall be secured to the roof deck as follows:

System 1: The 2x2 inch wood battens are fastened using No. 9 x 3½" long coated all purpose steel exterior wood screws with one (1) screw at each intersection with joists, maximum 24" o.c. The steel panels are installed with a 2 inch side lap and are overlapped in the vertical position with the course and 2x2 batten below (Figure 1). The panels are attached to the 2x2 battens with four No. 8 by 1½" long hex head steel screws in the front lip where the panel fits over the panels on the course below and into the 2x2 batten. One screw is installed where the panels overlap and the balance of the screws are spaced out along the panel length.

System 2: The 2x2 inch wood battens are fastened using No. 9 x 3½" long coated all purpose steel exterior wood screws with two screw at each intersection with joists, maximum. 24" o.c. and one No. 8 2½" long all purpose steel exterior wood screw centered between the joists. The steel panels are installed with a 2 inch side lap and are overlapped in the vertical position with the course and 2x2 batten below (Figure 1). The panels are attached to the 2x2 battens with seven No. 8 by 1½" long hex head steel screws in the front lip where the panel fits over the panels on the course below and into the 2x2 batten. One screw is installed where the panels overlap and the balance of the screws are spaced out along the panel length.

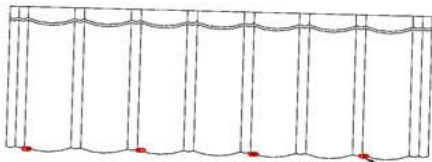
System 3 (With Counterbattens): The 1x4 counter battens are fastened with 16d smooth shank box nails 3¼" long (0.131" dia.) to the joists on 12" o.c. The 2x2 inch wood battens are fastened using No. 9 x 3½" long coated all purpose steel exterior wood screws with one screw at each intersection with joists, maximum. 24" o.c. The steel panels are installed with a 2 inch side lap and are overlapped in the vertical position with the course and 2x2 batten below (Figure 1). The panels are attached to the 2x2 battens with

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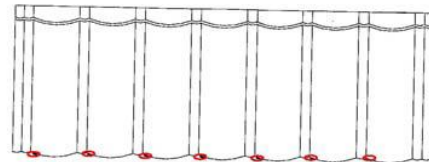
System 4 (With counterbattens): The 1x4 counter battens are fastened with 16d smooth shank box nails 3¼" long (0.131" dia.) to the joists on 7" o.c. The 2x2 inch wood battens are fastened using No. 9 x 3½" long coated all purpose steel exterior wood screws with two (2) screw at each intersection with joists, maximum 24" o.c. The steel panels are installed with a 2 inch side lap and are overlapped in the vertical position with the course and 2x2 batten below (Figure 1). The panels are attached to the 2x2 battens with seven No. 8 by 1½" long hex head steel screws in the front lip where the panel fits over the panels on the course below and into the 2x2 batten. One screw is installed where the panels overlap and the balance of the screws are spaced out along the panel length.

Figure 1:

DECRA Tile

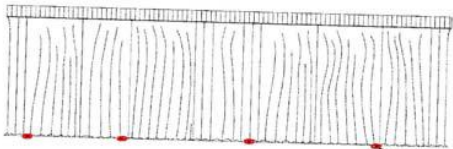


Four (4) per Panel

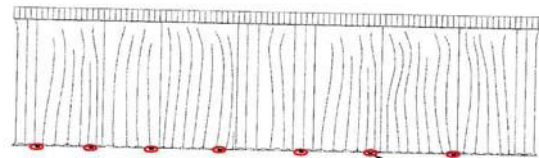


Seven (7) per Panel

DECRA Shake

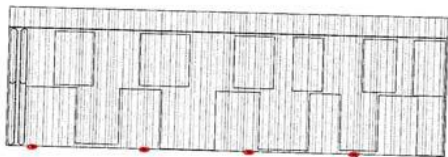


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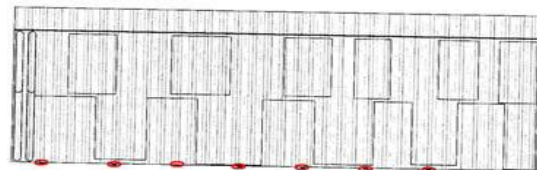


Seven (7) per Panel

DECRA Shingle Plus



Four (4) per Panel



Seven (7) per Panel

Note: The manufacturer's installation instructions shall be on the job site during the installation. All fasteners shall be corrosion resistant as specified in the International Residential Code (IRC), the International Building Code (IBC), and the Texas Revisions.