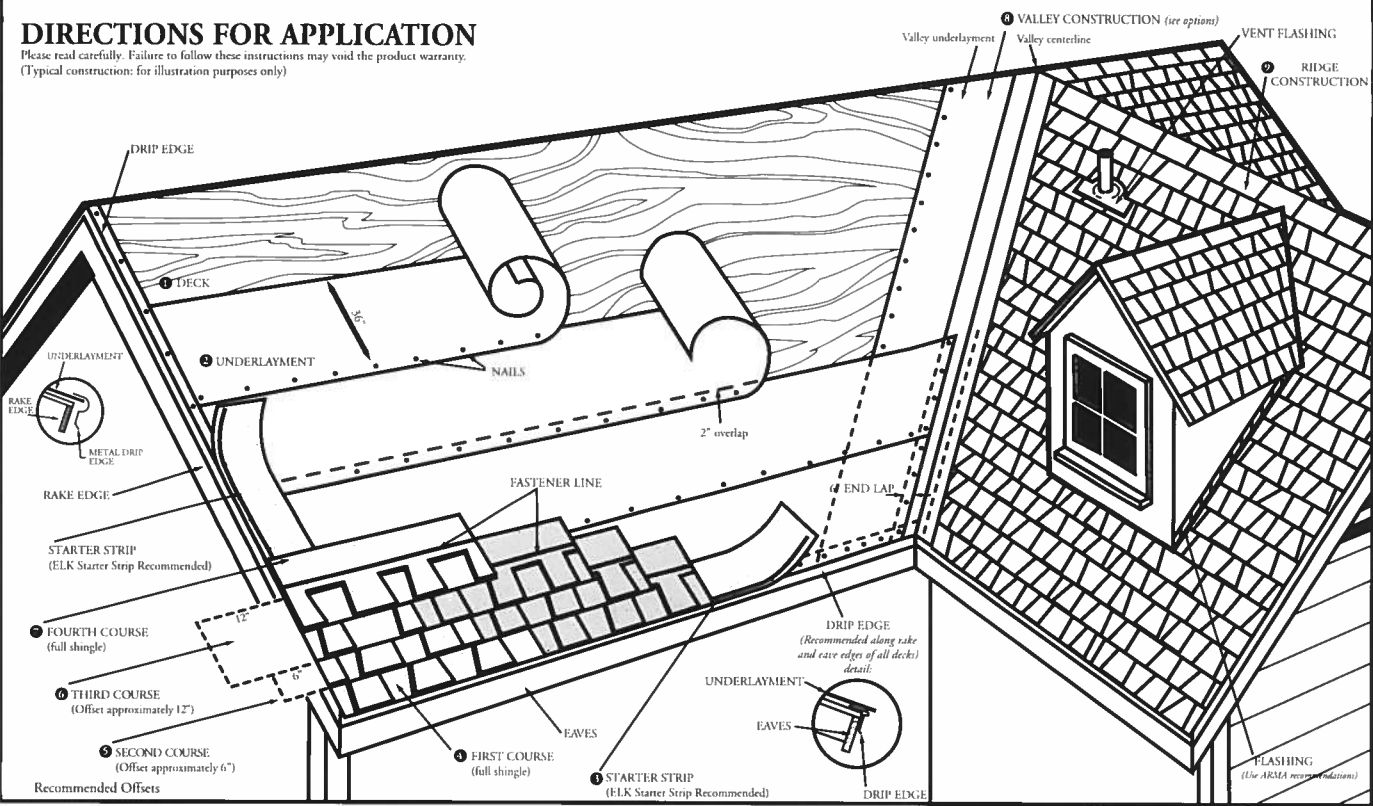


# DIRECTIONS FOR APPLICATION

Please read carefully. Failure to follow these instructions may void the product warranty.  
(Typical construction: for illustration purposes only)



**⑧ VALLEY CONSTRUCTION OPTION**  
(California Open and California Closed are also acceptable valleys.)

**WOVEN VALLEY**  
Valley center line

**CLOSED CUT VALLEY**  
Valley center line

**OPEN VALLEY**  
Valley center line

NOTE: For complete ARMA valley installation details, see ARMA roofing installation guide.

## DIRECTIONS FOR APPLICATION

These application instructions are the minimum required to meet Elk's application requirements. Your failure to follow these instructions may void the product warranty. In some areas, the building codes may require additional application techniques or methods beyond our instructions. In these cases, the local code must be followed. Under no circumstances will Elk accept application requirements that are less than those printed here. Shingles should not be jammed tightly together. All attics should be properly ventilated. Note: It is not necessary to remove tape on back of shingle.

### ① DECK PREPARATION

Roof decks should be dry, well-seasoned 1" x 6" boards or exterior grade plywood minimum 3/8" thick and conform to the specifications of the American Plywood Association or 7/16" oriented strandboard, or 7/16" chipboard.

### ② UNDERLAYMENT

Apply underlayment (Non-Perforated No. 15 or 30 asphalt saturated felt). Elk Versashield® or self adhering underlayment is also acceptable. Cover drip edge at eaves only.

For low slope(2/12 up to 4/12), completely cover the deck with two plies of underlayment overlapping a minimum of 19". Begin by fastening a 19" wide strip of underlayment placed along the eaves. Place a full 36" wide sheet over the starter, horizontally placed along the eaves and completely overlapping the starter strip.

### EAVE FLASHING FOR ICE DAMS (ASK A ROOFING CONTRACTOR, REFER TO ARMA MANUAL OR CHECK LOCAL CODES)

For standard slope (4/12 to less than 21/12), use coated roll roofing of no less than 50 pounds over the felt underlayment extending from the eave edge to a point at least 24" beyond the inside wall of the living space below or one layer of a self-adhered eave and flashing membrane.

For low slope (2/12 up to 4/12), use a continuous layer of asphalt plastic cement between the two plies of underlayment from the eave edge up roof to a point at least 24" beyond the inside wall of the living space below or one layer of a self-adhered eave and flashing membrane.

Consult the Elk Technical Services Department for application specifications over other decks and other slopes.

### ③ STARTER SHINGLE COURSE

USE AN ELK STARTER STRIP OR THE HEADLAP OF A STRIP SHINGLE WITH THE ADHESIVE STRIP POSITIONED AT THE EAVE EDGE. With at least 3" trimmed from the end of the first shingle, start at the rake edge overhanging the eave and rake edges 1/2" to 3/4". Fasten 2" from the lower edge and 1" from each side.

### ④ FIRST COURSE

Start at rake and continue course with full shingles laid flush with the starter course. Shingles may be applied with a course alignment of 45° on the roof

### ⑤ SECOND COURSE

Offset the second course of shingles with respect to the first by approximately 6". Other offsets are approved if greater than 4".

### ⑥ THIRD COURSE

Offset the next course by 6" with respect to the second course, or consistent with the original offset.

### ⑦ FOURTH COURSE

Start at the rake and continue with full shingles across roof.

### FIFTH AND SUCCEEDING COURSES.

Repeat application as shown for second, third, and fourth courses. Do not rack shingles straight up the roof. Offsets may be adjusted around valleys and penetrations.

### ⑧ VALLEY CONSTRUCTION

Open, woven and closed cut valleys are acceptable when applied by Asphalt Roofing Manufacturing Association (ARMA) recommended procedures. For metal valleys, use 36" wide vertical underlayment prior to applying metal flashing (secure edge with nails). No nails are to be within 6" of valley center.

### ⑨ RIDGE CONSTRUCTION

For ridge construction Elk recommends Class "A" Z®Ridge or Seal-A-Ridge® with formula FLX™ or RidgeCrest™ with FLX (See ridge package for installation instructions). Vented RidgeCrest or 3-tab shingles are also approved.

### FASTENERS

While nailing is the preferred method for Elk shingles, Elk will accept fastening methods according to the following instructions.

Using the fastener line as a reference, nail or staple the shingle in the double thickness common bond area. For shingles without a fastener line, nails or staples must be placed between and/or in the sealant dots.

**NAILS:** Corrosive resistant, 3/8" head, minimum 12-gauge roofing nails. Elk recommends 1-1/4" for new roofs and 1-1/2" for roof-overs. In cases where you are applying shingles to a roof that has an exposed overhang, for new roofs only, 3/4" ring shank nails are allowed to be used from the eave's edge to a point up the roof that is past the outside wall line. 1" ring shank nails allowed for re-roof.

**STAPLES:** Corrosive resistant, 16-gauge minimum, crown width minimum of 15/16". Note: An improperly adjusted staple gun can result in raised staples that can cause a fish-mouthed appearance and can prevent sealing.

Fasteners should be long enough to obtain 3/4" deck penetration or penetration through deck, whichever is less. This product meets the requirements of the IRC 2003 code when fastened with 4 nails.

### MANSARD APPLICATIONS

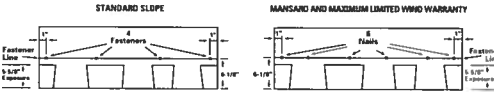
Correct fastening is critical to the performance of the roof. For slopes exceeding 60° (or 21/12) use six fasteners per shingle. Locate fasteners in the fastener area 1" from each side edge with the remaining four fasteners equally spaced along the length of the double thickness (laminated) area. Only fastening methods according to the above instructions are acceptable.

### LIMITED WIND WARRANTY

- For a Limited Wind Warranty, all Prestique and Raised Profile™ shingles must be applied with 4 properly placed fasteners, or in the case of mansard applications, 6 properly placed fasteners per shingle.
- For a Limited Wind Warranty up to 110 MPH for Prestique Gallery Collection or Prestique Plus or 90 MPH for Prestique I, shingles must be applied with 6 properly placed NAILS per shingle. SHINGLES APPLIED WITH STAPLES WILL NOT QUALIFY FOR THIS ENHANCED LIMITED WIND WARRANTY. Also, Elk Starter Strip shingles must be applied at the eaves and rake edges to qualify Prestique Plus, Prestique Gallery Collection and Prestique I shingles for this enhanced Limited Wind Warranty. Under no circumstances should the Elk Shingles or the Elk Starter Strip overhang the eaves or rake edge more than 3/4 of an inch.

### HELP STOP BLOW-OFFS AND CALL-BACKS

A minimum of four fasteners must be driven into the DOUBLE THICKNESS (laminated) area of the shingle. Nails or staples must be placed along – and through – the "fastener line" or on products without fastener lines, nail or staple between and in line with sealant dots. CAUTION: Do not use fastener line for shingle alignment.



| Shingle Surface | Deck | CORRECT  | CROOKED   | UNDERDRIVEN   | OVERDRIVEN  |
|-----------------|------|--|---|---|---|
|                 |      | Head flush to shingle. Foot head perpendicular to shingle during driving.                                | Decreased holding. Shingle torn. Prevents next shingle from sealing. See Repair Note 1. | Decreased holding. Prevents next shingle from sealing. See Repair Note 1.                     | Decreased holding. Shingle torn. See Repair Note 2. |
|                 |      | REPAIR Note 1<br>Flatten nail head to prevent interference with next shingle. Drive another nail nearby. |   | REPAIR Note 2<br>Drive another nail nearby. Seal overdriven nail with asphalt plastic cement. |   |

Refer to local codes which in some areas may require specific application techniques beyond those Elk has specified. All Prestique and Raised Profile shingles have a U.L.® Wind Resistance Rating when applied in accordance with these instructions using nails or staples on re-roofs as well as new construction.

**CAUTION TO WHOLESALER:** Careless and improper storage or handling can harm fiberglass shingles. Keep these shingles completely covered, dry, reasonably cool, and protected from the weather. Do not store near various sources of heat. Do not store in direct sunlight until applied. DO NOT DOUBLE STACK. Systematically rotate all stock so that the material that has been stored the longest will be the first to be moved out.

