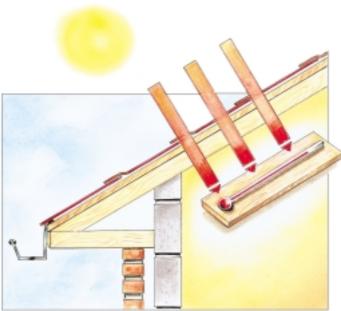


# VENTILATION A GUIDE TO SMART ROOFING

Extend the life of your roof Increase your living comfort Regulate the moisture in your roof





Without air gap between insulation and roof deck: condensation forms and the roof structure is damaged.

With air gap between insulation and roof deck: air escapes via ridge vents, leaving the roof structure unaffected.

# CALCULATING THE CROSS-SECTIONAL AREA OF THE VENT OPENINGS

The air gap between the insulation and the roof deck must be 4 to 6 cm. Air should flow in from the bottom of the roof (eaves) and out through the top of the roof (ridge). The air flow between the eaves and ridge vents must be unobstructed (by insulation or roof beams) to ensure cross-flow ventilation.

The total required cross sectional area (CSA) of vent openings is a function of the insulated roof area (P) and the slope of the roof.

SAMPLE ROOF STRUCTURES	
Roof slope	Required CSA of vent openings
15° - 40°	P÷300
41° - 85°	P÷600
Ventilation should be equally divided among the number of vents at	

eaves and ridges.

Example:  $P = 70m^2$ Roof slope =  $35^\circ$ CSA vent =  $322 \text{ cm}^2$ 

Total required CSA of vent openings: 140÷600 = 0. 233 m² = 2330 cm² Minimum number of vents required over total roof: 2330/322 = 7

Number of vents at ridge:

 $7 \div 2 = 3.5 \rightarrow 4$ 

Number of vents at eaves:

 $7 \div 2 = 3.5 \rightarrow 4$ 

NOTE: Roofs with vapor barriers need 40% less ventilation.

In certain regions (mountainous areas, the coast) special building regulations may apply.

# **ROOF VENT INSTALLATION**

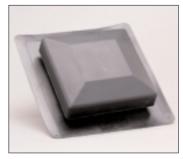




Ventilating your roof will equalize the temperature of the outer and inner roof. Your roof structure will then be able to withstand sudden temperature changes.

THIS WILL EXTEND THE LIFE OF YOUR ROOF.

# **RIDGE VENTS**



#### STANDARD VENTS

Venting area 322 cm<sup>2</sup>

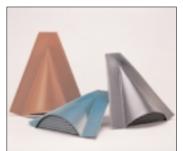
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## **RIDGE VENTS 229**

Venting area 260 cm²/m Length 122 cm Width 2.29 cm

Product Monarch, Armourglass



#### **IKO SHINGLE VENTS**

Venting area 30 cm<sup>2</sup>

Colour Black,Red,Green

## **RIDGE VENTS PLUS 279**

Venting area 260 cm²/m Length 122 cm Width 27.9 cm

Product Diamant, Armour Shield, Cambridge, Superglass-3 Tab