



Product Evaluation

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Engineering Services Program

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).

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Product Name: Cobra® Hip Vent

Manufacturer: GAF
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General Description:

The Cobra® Hip Vent is a 4' long shingle over hip vent made from ultra violet ray stable material. Cobra® Hip Vent is 11" wide by nominally 7/8" thick.

Limitations:

Design Pressure: -410 psf

Roof Slope: The minimum roof slope for the venting system is 3:12. The maximum roof slope is 12:12.

Roof Ridge: Do not install the Cobra® Hip Vent on roof ridges.

Installation Instructions:

General Installation Instructions:

All requirements specified in the IRC and the IBC must be satisfied and manufacturer's installation instructions followed, unless otherwise specified by this product evaluation.

Roof of Deck: The roof deck must consist of minimum 7/16" thick OSB wood structural panels.

Cutting Hip Slots: Begin by removing the existing hip cap shingles (this should not be necessary on new construction). Determine the number of Cobra® Hip Vent sections needed for proper ventilation and the location for cuts in the roof hip. The Cobra® Hip Vent is installed over a 2-1/2" wide slot opening centered on the hip. The top air slot should begin 12" below the top of the hip and extending 36" down the hip for every 4' section of Cobra® Hip Vent needed. Leave 12" of the hip uncut after each 36" opening, and the lowest air slot opening must stop at the mid-point of the hip and more than 24" in from the exterior warm wall. Wider openings and slots below the midpoint of the hip will not improve ventilation and must be avoided. Cut away the shingles (not required for new construction) first with a roofing knife, and then cut the deck with a circular saw. The saw should be adjusted so that the rafters or trusses are not cut.

Note: The roof decking must be re-nailed to the rafter at the edge closest to the hip to compensate for the nails removed when the hip slot was cut.

Hip Vent Application: The Cobra® Hip Vent is fastened to the deck starting at the bottom of the hip and then up along the entire length of the hip (this includes un-cut portions of the hip). Always ensure the Cobra® Hip Vent is oriented so that the inscribed arrows located on the top panel of the vent point up the hip towards the roof peak. Fasten Cobra® Hip Vent to the deck with the included 1-3/4" long collated galvanized steel roofing nails with a minimum 0.125" diameter shank and 0.375" diameter by 0.015" thick head. Cobra® Hip Vent is installed per the shingle manufacturer's instructions using the pre-marked nail holes 6" on center. When fastening, ensure each vent section sits tight to the field shingle below.

For roofs with ridge vents, lengths of the hip vent must be butted tightly to sections of ridge vents and install a 3" by 12" strip of self-adhering leak barrier over all junctions. For roofs without ridge vents, sections of hip vent from adjacent hip runs must be mitered together tightly where they intersect and install a 3" by 12" strip of self-adhering leak barrier over all junctions.

The Cobra® Hip Vent is then covered with ridge cap shingles and this entire assembly is nailed to the sheathing with the included 1-3/4" long collated galvanized steel roofing nails with a minimum 0.125" diameter shank and 0.375" diameter by 0.015" thick head. Depending on the field and ridge cap shingles used, longer length fasteners may be necessary. The ridge cap shingles are installed per the shingle manufacturer's instructions with a minimum of two nails per shingle and a shingle to shingle nail spacing of 8" on center or less. Do not overdrive the nails or crush/compact the product during installation.

Note: Keep the manufacturer's installation instructions available on the job site during installation. Use corrosion resistant fasteners as specified in the IRC, IBC, and the Texas Revisions.