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Application Status	Approved
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Category	Roofing
Subcategory	Asphalt Shingles
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Certificate of Independence	FL31588_R4_COI_2024_07_COI_NIEMINEN.pdf
Referenced Standard and Year (of Standard)	
Equivalence of Product Standards Certified By	
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Product Approval Method

Method 2 Option B

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Summary of Products

FL #	Model, Number or Name	Description
31588.1	Royal Sovereign (HVHZ)	Fiberglass reinforced, 3-tab asphalt roof shingle for use in FBC HVHZ jurisdictions.
Limits of Use Approved for use in HVHZ: Yes Approved for use outside HVHZ: No Impact Resistant: N/A Design Pressure: N/A Other: Refer to ER Section 5 for Limits of Use.		Installation Instructions FL31588 R4 II 2026 08 10 FINAL PEER-GAF-002.D SHINGLES-2B HVHZ FL31588-R4.pdf Verified By: Robert Nieminen PE-59166 Created by Independent Third Party: Yes Evaluation Reports FL31588 R4 AE 2026 08 10 FINAL PEER-GAF-002.D SHINGLES-2B HVHZ FL31588-R4.pdf Created by Independent Third Party: Yes
31588.2	Royal Sovereign (NON-HVHZ)	Fiberglass reinforced, 3-tab asphalt roof shingle for use in FBC non-HVHZ jurisdictions.
Limits of Use Approved for use in HVHZ: No Approved for use outside HVHZ: Yes Impact Resistant: N/A Design Pressure: N/A Other: Refer to ER Section 5 for Limits of Use.		Installation Instructions FL31588 R4 II 2026 08 10 FINAL PEER-GAF-002.C SHINGLES-2B NON-HVHZ FL31588-R4.pdf Verified By: Robert Nieminen PE-59166 Created by Independent Third Party: Yes Evaluation Reports FL31588 R4 AE 2026 08 10 FINAL PEER-GAF-002.C SHINGLES-2B NON-HVHZ FL31588-R4.pdf Created by Independent Third Party: Yes

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FL31588-R4 (HVHZ)

Date of Issuance: 08/10/2020

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SCOPE:

This P.E. Evaluation Report (henceforth 'PEER') is issued under F.A.C. [Rule 61G20-3](#) and the applicable rules and regulations governing the use of construction materials in the State of Florida. The documentation submitted has been reviewed by Robert Nieminen, P.E. for compliance with the intent of the 9th Edition (2026) Florida Building Code, High Velocity Hurricane Zone (HVHZ) [sections noted herein](#).

DESCRIPTION: Royal Sovereign® Asphalt Roof Shingles (HVHZ)

LABELING: Labeling shall be in accordance with the requirements of the Accredited Quality Assurance Agency noted herein and **FBC 1523.5.1 (for asphalt-shingles) or FBC 1518.7.4.1 (for hip and ridge shingles)**.

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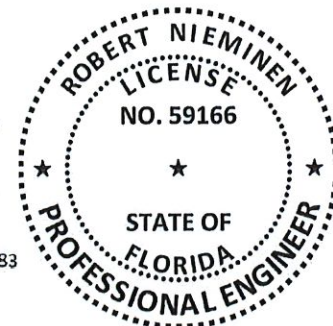
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ROOFING SYSTEMS EVALUATION:
1. SCOPE:

Product Category: Roofing
Sub-Category: Asphalt Shingles
Product Approval Method: Method 2, Option B – Non-Codified Material, Evaluation by Engineer
Compliance Statement: Royal Sovereign® asphalt roof shingles, as produced by GAF, have demonstrated compliance with the intent of the following sections of the 9th Edition (2026) Florida Building Code, High Velocity Hurricane Zone (HVHZ). Compliance is subject to the [Installation Requirements](#) and [Limitations of Use](#) set forth herein.

2. STANDARDS:

SECTION	PROPERTY
104.11	Alternative materials
1523.6.5.1	Wind Resistance
1523.6.5.1	Wind Driven Rain

3. REFERENCES:

ENTITY	EXAMINATION	REFERENCE	DATE
UL, LLC. (TST 9628)	ASTM G155, TAS 107, TAS 100	12CA61054	11/16/2012
UL, LLC. (QUA 9625)	Quality Control	Service Confirmation	08/18/2025
UL, LLC. (QUA 9625)	Quality Control	Florida BCIS	Current

4. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:

TABLE 1: ASPHALT SHINGLE COMPONENTS						
TYPE	PRODUCT	DESCRIPTION	MATERIAL STANDARD*			PLANT(S)
			PROPERTY	METHOD	RESULT	
Asphalt Shingles	Royal Sovereign®	Fiberglass reinforced, 3-tab asphalt roof shingle	Loss on heating	ASTM D228	max. 1.5%	CA, FL, GA, IN, PA, TX
			Sliding on heating		max. 1/16-inch	
			Tear strength	ASTM D1922 per D228	min. 3.75 lbs	
			Penetration, asphalt	ASTM D5	min. 15	
			Softening point, asphalt	ASTM D36	190 ≤ °F ≤ 320	
			Fastener pull-through resistance	ASTM D3462	@73°F: min. 20 lbf @32°F: min. 23 lbf	
			Pliability at 73°F	ASTM D3462	4 of 5 pass	
			Granule embedment	ASTM D4977	max. 1 g	
			Weather resistance	ASTM G155, Cycle 1, 2000 hrs	no cracks, erosion or exposed felt	
			Breaking strength, after weathering	ASTM D146, Section 13	min. 80% retained strength	
			Wind driven rain	TAS 100	pass	

*Test options per FBC 104.11.2

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- 5.2 This PEER is exclusively for use in FBC High Velocity Hurricane Zone jurisdictions, as defined in FBC Chapter 2 (Broward and Miami-Dade Counties).
- 5.3 This PEER pertains to above-deck roof components. Roof decks and structural members shall be in accordance with FBC requirements to the satisfaction of the Authority Having Jurisdiction.
- 5.4 This PEER does not include evaluation of fire classification. Refer to **FBC 1516** for requirements and limitations regarding roof assembly fire classification. Refer to **FBC 2603** for requirements and limitations concerning the use of foam plastic insulation.
- 5.5 **Wind Classification:** Refer to [Section 6](#) for installation requirements to meet wind classifications.

TABLE 2: WIND CLASSIFICATIONS, ASPHALT SHINGLES		
Product	FBC 1523.6.5.1	Mean Roof Height
Royal Sovereign®	TAS 107	max. 33 ft

- 5.6 **Corrosion Resistance – Saltwater Environments:**
Fasteners and connectors, if applicable, in areas within 3,000 feet of a saltwater coastline shall demonstrate compliance with FBC 1711 to the satisfaction of the Authority Having Jurisdiction.
- 5.7 All components in the roof assembly shall have quality assurance audit in accordance with F.A.C. [Rule 61G20-3](#). Refer to the Product Approval of the component manufacturer for components that are produced by a Product Manufacturer other than the report holder on [Page 1](#) of this PEER.

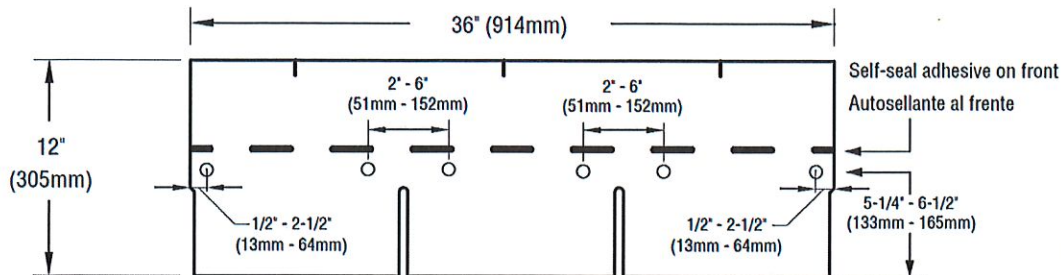
6. INSTALLATION:

6.1 GENERAL:

- 6.1.1 Roof deck, slope, underlayment, fasteners, flashings and metal accessories shall comply with **Roofing Application Standard RAS 115** and the shingle manufacturer's minimum requirements.
- 6.1.2 Underlayment shall be acceptable to GAF and shall hold current Florida Statewide Product Approval, or be Locally Approved per F.A.C. [Rule 61G20-3](#), for use in FBC HVHZ jurisdictions, per **FBC Sections 1518.7.1** and **Roofing Application Standard RAS 115**.
- 6.1.3 For cut 3-tab shingles used as hip/ridge shingles, reference is made to FBC Section 1518.7.4.2 for a prescriptive alternative for attachment thereof.

6.2 ASPHALT SHINGLES:

- 6.2.1 Installation of **Royal Sovereign® Asphalt Roof Shingles** shall comply with the GAF current published instructions, using minimum six (6) nails per shingle in accordance with **FBC 1518.7.3.2** and **Roofing Application Standard RAS 115**.



- 6.2.2 Fasteners shall be in accordance with manufacturer's published requirements, but not less than **Roofing Application Standard RAS 115**. Staples are not permitted.
- 6.2.3 Where the roof slope exceeds 21 units vertical in 12 units horizontal, special methods of fastening are required. Contact the GAF for details.

7. LABELING:

- 7.1 Labeling shall be in accordance with the requirements the Accredited Quality Assurance Agency noted herein and **FBC 1523.5.1**.
- 7.2 The **Royal Sovereign®** asphalt roof shingles evaluated herein are defined on the packaging as follows:
- ✓ Florida Statewide Product Approval **FL31588**

8. BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS:

As required by the Building Official or Authority Having Jurisdiction to properly evaluate the installation of this product.

9. MANUFACTURING PLANTS:

Contact the named QA entity for manufacturing facilities covered by **F.A.C. Rule 61G20-3** QA requirements. Refer to **Section 4** herein for products and production locations having met codified material standards.

10. QUALITY ASSURANCE ENTITY:

[UL \(QUA9625\)](https://www.ul.com/QUA9625): (360) 817-5512; bsai.inspections@ul.com

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