

# TECHNICAL ADVISORY BULLETIN



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To: GAF Residential Sales, GAF Contractors, GAF Field Services

From: Technical Services Department

**Subject: Eligibility Requirements For Metal Flashings On The TruSlate™  
Ultimate Pledge™ Ltd. Warranty**

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## **What Are GAF's Installation**

### **Requirements For Metal Flashings?**

New metal flashings **MUST** be installed (unless existing flashings are in like-new condition and are at "unworkable" wall surfaces, such as stucco).

Metal drip edge **MUST** be used at all eaves and rake edges.

## **What Does GAF**

### **Recommend Using For All Flashing Materials?**

**GAF recommends...** using **16oz (454g) copper flashings with copper fasteners** for the TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System. Metal flashings include all:

- **Eave Drip Edge...** use "D" style edge metal at the eave portion of the roof.
- **Rake or Gable End Metal...** metal with a special 3/4" (19 mm) vertical lip must be used at the rake or gable end of the roof to hold end slates in place.
- **Valley Metal...** use "W" style valley metal with a 1" (25 mm) splash diverter to flash valley areas.
- **Wall and Counter Flashing...** metals used to flash wall to roof junctions.
- **Chimney Flashing...** metals used to flash all chimney areas.

## **Are There Any Flashing Substitutions I Can Use In Conjunction With The TruSlate™ Ultimate Pledge™ Ltd. Warranty?**

**Yes... the metal flashings below are acceptable substitutions for copper:**

- 24 gauge [(0.024 inch (.61 mm) thick] stainless steel with stainless steel fasteners.
- 16 ounce (454g) [(0.026 inch (.66 mm) thick] lead-coated copper with stainless steel fasteners.
- 4 lb. (1.81kg) [(0.062 inch (1.57 mm) thick] lead with stainless steel fasteners.
- 0.016 (.041 mm) or thicker copper clad stainless steel with stainless steel fasteners.

**Always** use fasteners made from compatible metal with the selected flashing metal.

Do **NOT** use galvanized or aluminum flashings with the TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System as this can cause corrosion and staining.

## **Do I Need To Get A Formal Approval Letter From GAF If I Use One Of The Substitution Flashing Metals?**

**No...** as long as you use one of the GAF acceptable metal flashings you do not need a formal approval letter from GAF Field Services.

## **Where Can I Get More Information?**

**GAF Technical Services can assist you...** with these and other questions you may have regarding your new roof installation. GAF Technical Services can be contacted at **800-ROOF-411** (800-766-3411). Also, the GAF website is a great resource for just about any question you may have or for additional information you may require. Please visit: [www.gaf.com](http://www.gaf.com).