

# TECHNICAL ADVISORY BULLETIN

To: GAF Residential Sales, Master Elite Contractors, Distributors

From: Technical Services Department

**Subject: Timberline® Shingles with Fines Stripe in Headlap**



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**What Is The Fines Stripe On Timberline® Shingles And Why Is It There?**

**The fines stripe is an area in the headlap that is covered by fine granular material**

- It allows a more uniform stacking of the shingles in the bundle
- It results in a more even bundle
- It results in more even pallets
- It results in less bundle distortion of the shingles
- It allows the shingles to lay flatter when installed right out of the bundle

**Is The Fines Stripe Visible On The Roof?**

**No... the fines are in the headlap area of the shingle**

- The fines stripe area is not exposed after the shingles are installed
- It is not visible on the roof after installation
- This product addition does not affect the outward appearance of the installed shingles in any way

**Other Than Laying Flatter Right Out Of The Bundle, Are There Any Other Performance Differences?**

**No... All other performance characteristics are the same as with standard size granules in the stripe area.**

GAF has done extensive laboratory testing and field evaluations and has confirmed there are no changes in

- Wind resistance
- Water infiltration
- Wind driven rain

**Does The Fines Stripe Change Where The Shingles Are Nailed?**

**No... the shingles should be nailed per the application instructions on the inside of the wrapper**

- Nail along the nail guide line
- **DO NOT Nail in the fines stripe...** nailing in the fines stripe is too high and the nails will miss the double ply area

**Where Are The Fines Stripe And The Nail Guide Line?**



**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).