

### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

**Tough-Guard™ GRANULAR** Ice and Water Membrane is a glass fiber reinforced, self-adhesive modified bituminous roofing underlayment for use under slate and asphalt shingles. Mineral granules on the upper surface provide enhanced skid resistant properties.

### USAGE

**Tough-Guard™ GRANULAR** Ice and Water Membrane helps to protect a building's deck or internal structure against leaks caused by ice and water damming and wind-driven rain. It is highly effective in critical roofing areas such as valleys, ridges, coping joints, chimneys, vents, dormers, skylights and low-slope sections.



### STORAGE

- **Tough-Guard GRANULAR** rolls must be stored indoors, in a dry location.
- Rolls must be stored on end only. Do not store in a leaning position.
- The rolls must be protected from the elements. Do not expose rolls to direct sunlight.
- Store rolls at room temperature. Prolonged exposure to elevated temperatures may reduce the adhesive characteristics of the membrane.

### FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- Skid resistant surface provides improved footing
- Release film peels off for easy installation and handling
- 30-day exposure limit
- Adheres directly to concrete, plywood, wood composition board and gypsum sheathing
- Self-sealing around nails, preventing moisture penetration
- Meets ASTM D 1970
- Florida Building Code FL16858
- Available in 1 sq. and 2 sq. rolls
- Manufactured to be FORTIFIED Roof™ compliant when installed per IBHS standards



### GENERAL PRECAUTIONS

- Install **Tough-Guard GRANULAR** only when material interface temperatures (air, deck, material) are 40° F and rising.
- Do not install when any form of moisture such as water, ice, snow, dew, rain, etc. is present.
- Ensure roof has positive drainage prior to installation.
- Proper ventilation is critical. When applying over the entire roof deck, the roofing system must provide sufficient ventilation, including both ridge and soffit venting.
- A full, irreversible adhesion is achieved when the underlayment goes through a complete heat cycle. Do not attempt to remove the underlayment immediately after adhesion to the substrate.
- Use of a hand-held "hot air gun" might help in enhancing adhesion during application of underlayment in cooler weather.
- **Tough-Guard GRANULAR** must be covered with a finished roof covering within the specified exposure time of the product. Refer to section on Features and Benefits for exposure times.





### SURFACE PREPARATION

- Surface must be clean, dry, and without voids that may interfere with adhesion.
- For re-roofing, all old roofing and other loose materials must be removed prior to installation.
- Acceptable substrates for adhesion of **Tough-Guard GRANULAR** membranes can be found at the BlueLinX website.
- For best results, surface may be primed with an ASTM D 41 Primer prior to installation of **Tough-Guard GRANULAR**.
- When primer is used, ensure the primer is fully dry prior to application of **Tough-Guard GRANULAR**.

### APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- Cut **Tough-Guard GRANULAR** roll to suitable, manageable lengths before installation.
- Place a full width piece of the pre-cut **Tough-Guard GRANULAR** underlayment on the substrate, parallel to the eave (low) edge of the roof.
- Align **Tough-Guard GRANULAR** so that it is parallel with the edge of the eave and extend over the eave and rake approximately 3/8".
- Place the side lap on the up side of the roof, fold back the sheet, and remove the exposed release film, taking care not to displace the sheet.
- Working from the center out, roll the sheet onto the substrate, taking care to avoid wrinkles and ridges.
- **Tough-Guard GRANULAR** must be set straight. Repeat this process for the remaining half of the sheet.
- Starting at the middle and extending to one end of **Tough-Guard GRANULAR**, drive securing nails in 18" centers in the side lap area, 1/2" from the edge. Do not drive the nails all the way in.
- Backroll the unsecured portion of the roll up the middle where the first securing nail is driven.
- Apply a 1/16" thick layer of roofing lap cement over the eave and rake metal drip edges extending 2" to 3" onto the deck surface where the roll will intersect.
- Remove the securing nails from the other half of **Tough-Guard GRANULAR**, backroll and apply in like manner.
- On slopes greater than 2:12, drive nails flush in the selvage area 1/2" from the edge on 18" centers, after Tough-Guard GRANULAR has been applied and prior to the next overlapping course.
- Apply full roll width, a 1/16" thick layer of roofing lap cement to the surface of the first course in the 6" end lap area before adhering the next course.
- Apply the next eave course in the same manner overlapping the first course at the end lap by 6".
- Lap the succeeding course over the lap area.
- Apply succeeding courses in like manner, as in steps above.
- Stagger the end laps a minimum 3' from the preceding course.
- Install capped or tin tagged nails 6 inches on center in the middle of the selvage edge (side lap) or fasten according to applicable Building Codes.
- At the T-joint (where an end lap and next overlapping course intersect), apply a bead of roofing lap cement before the overlapping course is laid.
- Roll the entire membrane surface, paying special attention to side laps, end laps and T-joints. Roller weight shall be 70 lb. minimum for low slope (<2:12 pitch) and 28 lb. minimum for steep slope (>2:12 pitch).

### WARRANTY

**Tough-Guard GRANULAR** is warranted to be free from manufacturer's defects.

### PROPERTIES

Property	Typical Values	Reference Test	Property	Typical Values	Reference Test	Product Data	1 Square	2 Square
Tensile Strength, MD	25 lbf/in	ASTM D1970	Thermal Stability, max	0.1 inch	ASTM D1970	Width	36 in	36 in
Tensile Strength, XMD	25 lbf/in	ASTM D1970	Flexibility Temperature	-20° F	ASTM D1970	Length	33 ft	66.8 ft
Elongation, mod. bit. portion	10% min	ASTM D1970	Tear Resistance, MD & XMD	20 lbf	ASTM D1970	Weight	30 lb (nominal)	60 lb (nominal)
Adhesion to Plywood @ 40°F	2 lb/ft of width	ASTM D1970	Slip Resistance	Pass	ASTM D1970			
Adhesion to Plywood @ 75°F	15 lb/ft of width	ASTM D1970	Moisture Vapor Permeance	0.1 U.S. Perms (max)	ASTM D1970	Thickness	56 mil (nominal)	56 mil (nominal)

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