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As well, this manual does not depict every possible roofing situation or technique or local weather conditions. The installer must choose the most suitable installation method for the location and particular design, construction and quality of the building on which the Varitile product is being installed. The installer must ensure that the structure complies with all applicable codes and laws, is sound and of sufficient quality and design to accept the Varitile roof product.

This manual is not a warranty or guarantee. Quality installation is a product of proper technique, attention to detail and ultimately is the responsibility of the installer. For installation questions not covered in this guide please contact Varitile.

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1.3 FASTENERS

#9-10 x 2.5” with ¼” Hex Head (#9-10 x 50mm 6.3mm) screws are used with Varitile panels. Corrosion resistant, minimum 1000 salt spray hours. For coastal and salt water environments, stainless steel fasteners required. Please check local codes and approvals!

1.4 INSTALLATION TOOLS
Based on each profile, use the division factors above to find the amount of tile to cover both width (gable to gable) and height (eave to ridge) of the roof. Make sure to always round up to the next full tile.

The Hip / Valley multipliers are used to convert the lineal feet of hip or valley into full panels needed for cuts / waste.

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Panels

Divide the roof into square / rectangular sections. In this case we have two:

**SECTION 1**: 35 feet (eave) by 14 feet (rafter)
- 35 / 4 = 8.75 round up to 9: This is the amount of full panels needed to cover the width
- 14 / 1.2 = 11.6 round up to 12, this is the amount of full panels needed to cover the height
- 9 x 12 = 108 x 2 (for both sides of roof) = 216 full Mistral panels

**SECTION 2**: 15 feet (eave) by 14 feet (rafter)
- 15 / 4 = 3.75 round up to 4
- 14 / 1.2 = 11.6 round up to 12
- 4 x 12 = 48 x 2 = 96 full Mistral panels

Hip and valley: take the total lineal feet of hips and valleys: 80 x 0.3 = 24 full Mistral panels

Tally panels from sections 1,2 and hip / valley: 216 + 96 + 24 = 336 full Mistral panels

**Ridge Barrel**

Total lineal footage of hip, ridge and rake: 126 / 1.2 = 105

Add one extra trim cap per termination point and the beginning of each run. In the drawing above we would add 14 additional caps for a total of 119 ridge barrel caps

**Eave**

Total lineal footage of eave:
- 125 / 6.3 = 19.84 round up to 20 fascia pieces

**Valley**

Total lineal footage of valley:
- 20 / 5.7 = 3.5 round up to 4 Valley pieces

**Valley Cap**

Total lineal footage of valley cap:
- 20 / 5.7 = 3.5 round up to 4 Valley Cap pieces

**Screws**

For standard installation, figure 10 fasteners per tile, 2 fasteners per Barrel trim cap, 4 fasteners per flashing piece and 10% additional waste.
Based on each profile, use the division factors above to find the amount of tile to cover both width (gable to gable) and height (eave to ridge) of the roof. Make sure to always round up to the next full tile.

The Hip / Valley dividers are used to convert the lineal cm of hip or valley into full panels needed for cuts / waste.
3. PREPARATIONS

3.1 UNDERLAYMENT

Underlayment should meet or exceed local building code. Our minimum requirement is ASTM D226 type 2 (30#). Always install underlayment per manufacturer’s specifications and instructions.

3.2 STARTER, GABLE AND HIP BATTENS

Battens should be standard or better nominal 1x4 or 1x3 for eaves and standard or better nominal 2x2 for hips, ridges and gables.

For all profiles other than RIVIERA, set a 1x4 or 1x3 along all eaves directly at the roof edge. For Riviera, set the eave apron first, directly on the deck and then install a 1x3 or 1x4 immediately behind the eave apron upturn.

Install 2x2’s along each gable and line both sides of hips and ridges. Fasten all battens into rafters making sure to penetrate the rafter a minimum of 1”.

Note: Unlike batten systems that install from the ridge down, battenless systems install from the eave up. Make sure all your fascia metal is installed prior to laying panels.

4. INSTALLATION PROCEDURES

4.1 PANEL INSTALLATION AND FASTENING

All profiles in this manual can be laid from right to left or left to right. Viksen and Riviera are exceptions as they must be laid right to left. Not all Varitile profiles are the same overall height. When setting your first course measure the overall height of the tile and transfer that dimension to the left and right hand sides of the roof deck. Snap a line between the marks and check back across the eave to ensure the nose of the tile will overhang the eave. Adjust the line accordingly in the case of a bowed eave. Set the top of the tile to the line making sure you keep the tiles straight.

Note: As with batten systems, do not lay full tiles tight to gables or hips. Once all the full tiles are installed, fall back and install cut pieces.

Standard installation requires 5 screws per back shelf and 5 screws per nose of each tile. Screws must penetrate sheathing by a minimum of ½”. We recommend using 2.”screws for Viksen and 2.5” screws for all other profiles.
Bond, Classic, Mistral and Gallo panels must be staggered a minimum of one pan/ scallop width. Shake panels are staggered 13” (33 cm) measuring from right to left and 12” (30.5 cm) measuring left to right. These are the only two stagger points for Shake. Viksen panels can be staggered based on installer preference. We recommend a minimum of 7” (18 cm) for maximum performance and visual appeal.

We recommend soft soled footwear when installing/walking on the panels.

The correct position for fasteners are shown below.

CLASSIC

VIKSEN

GALLO

MISTRAL

RIVIERA
4.2 RIDGE, HIP AND GABLE PANEL INSTALLATION

4.2.1 INSTALLING THE TOP COURSE

4.2.1.1 NON-VENTED

Measure from the last full course below the ridge up to the ridge batten. Deduct 0.5" (1.27 cm) from this measurement. This number is the bend line. Add a minimum of 1.5" (3.8 cm) to the bend line measurement. This is the cut line. Transfer and mark these measurements on the panel. Place the panel in the long bender along the bending line, lock into position and bend the panel upward. Remove panel from bender and cut along the cut line with the guillotine or shears.

Always bend top course panels (long bends) before cutting.

Set panel in place and fasten one side. Pull the center of panel upwards so it bows away from the roof deck and the unfastened end of the panel lines up with the course below; fasten. Press down on the center of the panel and fasten. Panels need to be fastened into the ridge batten through the turn up so they stay in plane with the panels below.
4.2.1.2 VENTED

Check with local building codes for proper venting calculations and requirements. Ventilation should be equally balanced between intake and exhaust. Failure to follow proper ventilation techniques may result in unsatisfactory performance. Depending on the roof/attic structure the measurements below may need to be modified.

Cut an air gap in the roof sheathing 1” (2.5 cm) on each side of the ridge. Stack and fasten 2x2’s or dimensional lumber center of ridge to create a ridge nailer. The height of the ridge nailer should allow for a consistent plane with field panels and the top course panel as well as sufficient air gap between the top course panel and ridge cap. Measure, bend and cut top course panels so they allow for a 1” (2.5 cm) gap between the panel up turn and the ridge nailer. Install venting material over panel turn up and fasten into the ridge nailer. Make sure a 1” (2.5 cm) air gap is maintained between the top course panels and ridge nailer.

4.2.1 INSTALLING THE TOP COURSE

Measure straight along the top and bottom of the panel to the termination point formed by either the gable or hip batten.

Hips: Deduct 0.5” (1.27 cm) from this measurement.

Gables: Deduct 0.25” (6 mm).

Transfer and mark these measurements on the panel. Create the bend line by scribing the panel between the top and bottom points. To create the cut line add a minimum of 1.5” (3.8 cm) to the bend line and scribe.

Use the guillotine or shears and cut along the cut line. After cutting the panels, bend accordingly.

Place the cut and bent panels.
4.3 RIDGE, HIP AND GABLE TRIMS

Install the trim overlaps facing away from prevailing weather.

When installing trim pieces, fasten through the overlapping area into battens or nailers. For trim pieces exceeding 14.5” (36.8 cm) exposure, space fasteners a minimum of every 14.5” (36.8 cm).

4.3.1 RIDGE TRIMS

VENTED
4.3.2 HIP TRIMS

Beginning at the eave, place trim piece so it fits tightly to the fascia. Insert an end closure (disc) into the leading edge of the trim piece and fasten. Continue laying trim from bottom to top.

Trim pieces can be cut and mitered at ridges.

4.3.3 GABLE TRIMS

Gable trims are installed from the bottom up, with a closure at the eave.
4.4 EAVE

Eave panels are fastened through the top (face) of the panel straight down into the eave batten. Follow the same fastener spacing as the field panels.

If using nails, caulk and chip the heads.

4.5 SIDEWALL

Sidewall panels are cut and fit in the same fashion as gable panels. A minimum 2”(5 cm) upturn is recommended.

Z-flashing may be used as a transitional piece between siding and up turned panels. In retrofit situations dealing with stucco or other types of solid cladding, Z-flashing can be used as a termination bar. Bend a slight kick along the top of the Z-flashing, fasten into the wall every 12”(30 cm) and caulk along the top kick with a high quality urethane caulk. In areas of heavy rain, bedding the termination bar in sealant is recommended. Z-flashing should be overlapped a minimum of 4”(10 cm).
4.6 VALLEY

4.6.1 VALLEY FLASHING

Valley flashing should extend past the fascia a minimum of 1" (2,5 cm). In areas of heavy ice and snow it may be necessary to bed the valley in sealant at the fascia. Valley flashings should be overlapped a minimum of 6" (15,25 cm) and sealed.

Valleys should be mitered, overlapped and set in sealant when they meet at the top of a dormer (ridge). Any valley that originates at a vertical wall should be turned up the wall a minimum of 2” (5 cm) and sealed.

4.6.2 CUTTING PANELS

Measure straight along the top and bottom of the panel to the corner of the valley that is formed by the center up-stand. Transfer and mark these two measurements on the panel. Scribe a line between the top and bottom points, this is the bend line. Add 1.25” (3,18 cm) to this mark for your cut line.

Use the guillotine or shears and cut along the cut line. After cutting the panels, bend accordingly.

4.6.3 INSTALLING VALLEY CUTS

Do not fasten panels through the valley upstand.
### 4.7 Chimney

Panels are bent using the same techniques as ridge and sidewall to create the headwall and sidewall flashings of the chimney. For the saddle, flat stock may be used, or a panel may be cut and bent to fit. Always ensure flashings extend past the edges of the chimney to allow for proper drainage and all corners are sealed.

![Image of chimney installation](image)

### 4.8 Pipe Flashing

Install a base flashing on pipe integrated with the underlayment. Mark and cut the field panel to fit over pipe. Place panel over pipe. Seal panel to pipe. Install boot flashing over pipe. Mark and cut a partial panel (enough to fully cover the pipe flashing from side to side) and install over the pipe flashing. Seal the partial panel to the pipe flashing.

![Image of pipe installation](image)