

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ABOUT ALUMINUM OXFORD SHINGLE

- Q. How is Oxford Shingle different than traditional roofing?**
- A.** The 12" x 60" shingles are stamped from high-strength .024" thick aluminum alloy. This metal design gives Oxford a sleek, attractive look. It also provides a durability that is unmatched by any other roofing material. Even if a roof doesn't leak and provides protection from the elements many years from the initial installation, will it remain attractive or will it be an eyesore, detracting from the overall appearance of the home? Chances are, it will be the latter. Part of Oxford's charm is that it will remain beautiful as it continues to protect for 50, 60 or even 100 years.
- Q. How can metal roofing be beautiful? Wouldn't it make a building look like a barn or industrial type building?**
- A.** No -- exactly the opposite! Oxford Shingle's attractive low-profile design can turn an ordinary-looking home into the neighborhood's centerpiece. Oxford Shingle is available in nine attractive Kynar 500/Hylar 5000 colors, including three dual-tone colors that create soft, blended appearances.
- Q. What is Kynar/Hylar?**
- A.** Kynar/Hylar are the trade names for the polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF) resin used in the paint finishes applied to metal roofing. The secret to the strength and durability of PVDF resins lies in their chemical structure. The carbon-flouride chemical bond is one of the strongest and most stable known to man. This bond gives Kynar/Hylar coatings unequalled durability, resistance to fade and chalk, and corrosion protection. Kynar/Hylar finishes are recognized in the industry as the highest-quality paint finish available.

THE KYNAR FINISH



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Q. If Oxford is made from aluminum, won't it be noisy when it rains?

A. No! You're thinking of that barn again. Since most house attic spaces are insulated (unlike barns and agricultural buildings), Oxford Shingle is no louder than any other roofing material in the rain. The insulation absorbs almost all the noise caused by the rain. The stamped design of Oxford Shingle helps to break up any noise before the sound hits the insulation. One customer who had recently installed metal roofing on her home was irked that she could no longer hear the soothing rain noise in her bedroom as she tried to go to sleep at night.

Q. Is there a greater risk to my home during a lightning storm with Oxford Shingle?

A. No, contrary to popular opinion, metal does not attract lightning. Yes, metal does conduct electricity, but there's a huge difference between conduction and attraction. The real determining factor in a building's likelihood of being struck is its relative height to the surrounding objects. Lightning will usually hit the highest object it can find, so roofing material plays no role in the probability of a home being struck.

Q. Will it rust?

A. No! Since Oxford Shingle is manufactured from aluminum alloy, and since aluminum does not rust like steel, you will never have to worry about your Oxford Shingle roof developing unsightly rust.

Q. How well does Oxford Shingle stand up to hail?

A. Oxford Shingle will perform very well if tested by a hail-storm. It is warranted against cracking and leaking due to hail indentation or perforation. The rough, durable metal design of Oxford Shingle greatly reduces the many problems that traditional roofing materials submit to when pelted with hail. Oxford Shingle and its superior hail performance may entitle you to a discount on your homeowners insurance premium.

Q. If Oxford Shingle is so strong, we should be able to walk on it, right?

A. You sure can! As with any type of roofing material, always exercise caution when walking on the roof. Oxford Shingle allows for an above average walkability which, unlike other roofing materials, does not decrease with age. As other roofing materials grow older, they become brittle and stand a good chance of cracking if walked on. This is not a concern with Oxford Shingle. You must take care to walk on the tops of the shingles so as to avoid smashing the locks.

Q. How can Oxford Shingle save me money on energy bills?

A. Because of aluminum's superior reflectivity, and other physical properties, Oxford Shingle is able to reflect a high percentage of the sun's infrared energy, the portion of sunlight that is most responsible for attic heat build-up in a home. This means that the air condition doesn't have to work as hard to cool the home, saving energy -- and saving you money.

Q. Is Oxford Shingle considered a "green" building product?

A. Yes, because Oxford Shingle is manufactured from approximately 98% recycled aluminum, Oxford Shingle is a very environmentally friendly product. Oxford Shingle will last an extremely long time, but if for any reason it ever does need to be removed, it is 100% recyclable. Oxford Shingle helps reduce energy consumption, which can help lessen the smog and other environmental risks that are directly caused by the production of energy in power plants.

Q. What type of warranty comes with Oxford Shingle?

A. Since Oxford Shingle is the highest-quality roof on the market, Classic Metal Roofing Systems offers a lifetime warranty for the original owner and 40-year lifetime warranty for future owners. Also, the manufacturers of the Kynar/Hylar coatings offer an unmatched 30-year Fade Resistance Warranty. The Oxford Shingle Warranty is industry-leading and represents the pride and craftsmanship we put into our metal roofing products.

Q. Why should I get a metal roof installed if I'm not planning on being here long-term?

A. Oxford Shingle not only enhances the exterior beauty of your home, thus making the home easier to market and sell, but also builds equity into your home. Oxford Shingle increases your home's market value. It's just like building a pool in your backyard, re-landscaping, or adding a new deck or porch.

Q. How do I get Oxford Shingle on my home?

A. Contact Argo Building Products, (847) 674-4930.

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