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WOOD ROOFING  
UNDERLAYMENT



**CEDAR  
BREATHER**

**Build Better™**

# Cedar Breather®

Underlayment for wood roofing

## Cedar Breather: Powerful, Economical Protection for Wood Roofing

Cedar Breather® is the solution for preserving the beauty and life of wood roofing. As a fire-resistant underlayment for wood shingles and shakes, Cedar Breather provides space for a continuous airflow between the solid roof deck and the shingles. The patented three dimensional design of Cedar Breather allows the entire underside of the shingle to dry, eliminates excess moisture, prevents thermal cupping and warping, and reduces potential rotting.

For quick and easy installation, Cedar Breather rolls out, installs without any special tools, and eliminates the need for furring strips. Its matrix remains unaffected by UV light, heat or cold, for long-lasting, durable performance.



The patented three-dimensional matrix of Cedar Breather allows continuous airflow and even provides cushioning during severe hail.

For optimum performance in wood roofing applications, use Cedar Breather® with Rapid Ridge 7 rolled ridge vent.

### Specifications

Width	39 in.
Length	61 1/2 ft.
Coverage	200 sq. ft. ±2 sq. ft.
Weight	9.7 lbs. per roll .778 oz./sq. ft.
Compression & Thickness	Zero lbs. per sq. ft. .27 in. 100 lbs. per sq. ft. .26 in. 200 lbs. per sq. ft. .25 in.
Warranty	20 Year Limited



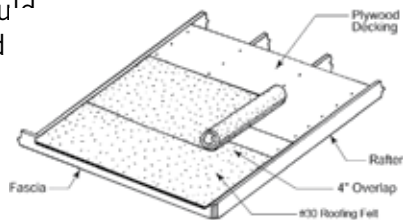
**USE CEDAR BREATHER TO VENTILATE  
THE WOOD ROOF AND SLICKER RAINSCREEN  
TO VENTILATE AND DRAIN THE SIDEWALL.**

## SHINGLE INSTALLATION\*

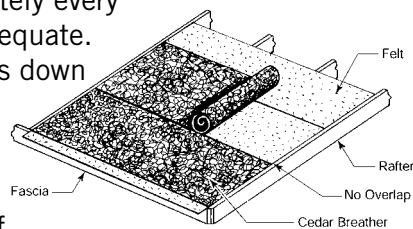
Note: Recommended on a 3/12 roof slope or greater. Shingle installation can be used with 3-ply tapersawn shake application.

1. Install plywood deck onto roof rafters.

2. Install roofing felt over entire roof deck. Felt should extend 1/4" beyond edge of roof deck. Overlap layers at least 4" working toward the ridge.



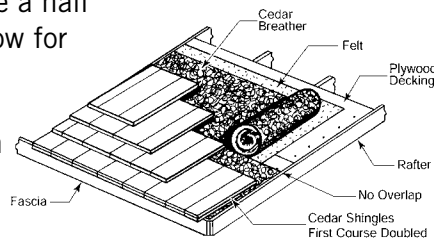
3. Tack down Cedar Breather. One tack (or nail) approximately every 3 square feet is adequate. Install with dimples down to present the flat side as the nailing surface.



Do not lap layers of Cedar Breather. Each course should butt against previous course.

Work from fascia to ridge while installing shingles to avoid walking directly on Cedar Breather (may be slippery, especially when wet).

4. Install cedar shingles per manufacturer's instructions. Utilize a nail length that will allow for 3/4" penetration into sheathing or completely through sheathing. Allow 1/4" for Cedar Breather thickness.

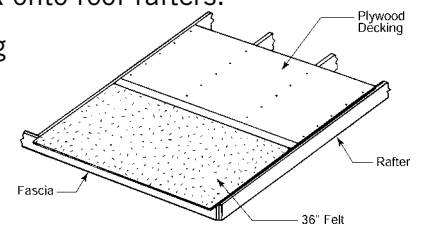


## SHAKE INSTALLATION\*

Note: Recommended on a 4/12 roof slope or greater.

1. Install plywood deck onto roof rafters.

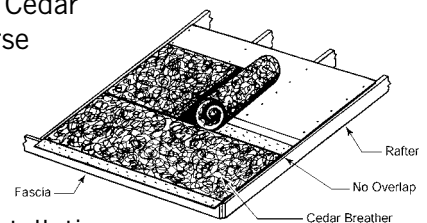
2. Install 36" of roofing felt for eave protection extending 1/4" beyond edge of roof deck.



3. Tack down Cedar Breather. One tack (or nail) approximately every 3 square feet is adequate. Install with dimples down to present the flat side as the nailing surface.

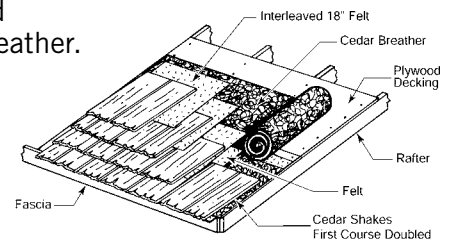
Do not lap layers of Cedar Breather. Each course should butt against previous course.

Work from fascia to ridge just ahead of shake and felt installation to avoid walking directly on Cedar Breather (may be slippery, especially when wet).



4. An 18" wide strip of 30 lb. roofing felt should be laid over the top portion of the shakes and extend onto the Cedar Breather.

The bottom edge of the felt should be positioned above the butt of the shake at a distance equal to twice the weather exposure per manufacturer's installation instructions. Utilize a nail length that will allow for 3/4" penetration into sheathing or completely through sheathing. Allow 1/4" for Cedar Breather thickness.



\*For guidance only. Installation requirements may vary geographically, so please defer to applicable building codes.

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<b>ROOF</b>	<b>Roll Vent®</b> Roll Vent® Standard Roll Vent® Metric <b>Rapid Ridge®</b> Rapid Ridge® Standard Rapid Ridge® 7 Rapid Ridge® Metric <b>Cougar® LP</b> <b>Shark Vent®</b> Shark Vent® XLP Shark Vent® Xtra <b>Xtractor Vent®</b> Xtractor Vent® X18 Xtractor Vent® X18 Xtra Xtractor Vent® XLP <b>Cedar Breather®</b>	<b>ROLL VENT®</b> Roll Vent ridge vent products provide maximum ventilation on a roll to protect residential roofing from the deteriorating forces of excess heat and moisture build-up.	<b>RAPID RIDGE®</b> Rapid Ridge nail-gunnable ridge vent offers quick installation, complete with superior weather and insect protection.	<b>COUGAR® LP</b> Cougar LP ridge vent is a classic style ridge vent made from nylon matrix technology that is easily installed by hand or with a pneumatic nail gun.
	<b>SHARK VENT®</b> Our latest roof solution, Shark Vent provides the rigidity of a sectional in a lightweight roll for fast installation. Available with or without a filter.	<b>XTRACTOR VENT®</b> Xtractor Vent is Benjamin Obdyke's externally baffled, shingle over ridge vent designed to extract heat and moisture from the attic.	<b>CEDAR BREATHER®</b> Cedar Breather is a ventilated underlayment that prolongs the life of wood shingles and shakes by providing continuous air circulation and a drainage space that prevents the damaging effects of trapped moisture.	
	<b>SLICKER® RAINSCREEN</b> Slicker® Classic Slicker® MAX Slicker® HP Home Slicker® Plus Typar® <b>HydroGap® Drainable Housewrap</b> <b>FlatWrap® HP Housewrap</b> <b>Accessories</b> Slicker® Screen HydroFlash® HydroCorner™	<b>SLICKER® RAINSCREEN</b> The Slicker family of rainscreens have vertical channels that provide a continuous space for drainage and drying. Provides maximum protection against the damaging effects of mold and rot.	<b>HYDROGAP®</b> HydroGap is a drainable housewrap with 1 mm spacers that provide a continuous space for drainage to manage excess moisture and prevent the damaging effects of mold and rot.	
	<b>FLATWRAP® HP</b> FlatWrap HP is a commercial-grade water-resistive barrier (housewrap) with enhanced UV and tear resistance. FlatWrap HP is a perfect complement to Slicker as the WRB component in a rainscreen wall system. It can also be paired with HydroGap Drainable Housewrap as the required secondary layer in stone or stucco applications.	<b>ACCESSORIES</b> Build a better wall system using self-adhered flashing, tapes and sill solutions designed for maximum performance and compatibility with our rainscreen and housewrap products.		