Roof Shingle Tear-Off Procedure For Homasote Products

- Firestall®
- EasyPly® Roof Deck;
- Thermasote® Nailbase Roof Insulation
- N.C.F.R.® Thermasote® Nailbase Roof Insulation

The removal of existing shingles to re-roof Homasote roof deck or nailbase roof insulation requires a change from the conventional tear-off method used to re-roof wood surfaces.

To strip existing shingles from a Homasote roofing product, the following must be done:

1. Instead of getting under shingles with a "shoveling motion" and then scraping forward to get the nails out you must use a stripping tool or roof shovel to pry up shingles away from the deck, by pulling the nails straight out.

2. Care must be taken so that the roof shovel does not damage the surface of the deck.

3. Inspect the condition of the deck as the tear-off continues. Any stubborn nails remaining after the shingles are removed should be pulled out using a crowbar or claw hammer along with a wood block as a fulcrum to prevent damage to the deck.

4. Inspect the stripped deck for any signs of deterioration or physical damage. Any damaged areas should be replaced with the same Homasote product.

5. Prepare deck for the new finish roof installation in accordance with standard roofing practice and the roofing materials manufacturer's installation instructions. The Homasote Company requires the use of a ring-shank roofing nail for all shingle installations.

Installation instructions, general requirements and the most up-to-date information on Homasote roofing products are available at www.homasote.com.