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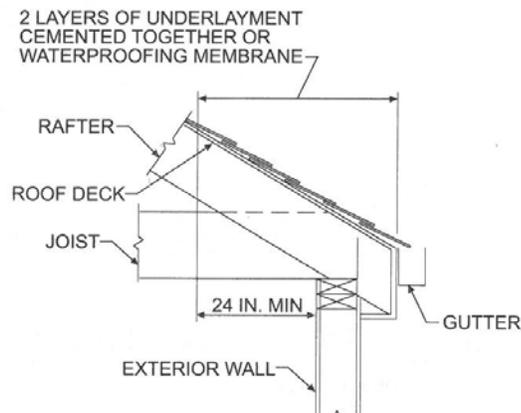
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## RE: Clarification of requirement for Ice Barrier for Residential Reroofing Projects

The City of Rockford requires Ice Barrier for asphalt shingles, metal roof shingles, mineral-surfaced roll roofing, slate and slate type shingles, wood shingles, and wood shakes in accordance with the 2009 International Residential Code Sections R905.2.7.1, R905.4.3.1, R905.5.3.1, R905.6.3.1, R905.7.3.1 and R905.8.3.1 in one or any combination of the following instances:

1. Where there is evidence of damage due to ice forming along eaves from water backup;
2. When upon tear off, there was ice barrier installed previously;
3. When required by the roofing manufacturer's installation instructions and specifications.

Ice Barrier is that which consists of two layers of underlayment cemented together or of a self-adhering polymer modified bitumen sheet installed in lieu of normal underlayment and extends from the lowest edge of roof surfaces to a point at least 24 inches inside the exterior wall line of the building.



If any further information is required please contact me at (815) 987-8268 or [Seth.Sommer@rockfordil.gov](mailto:Seth.Sommer@rockfordil.gov)

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Seth Sommer".

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