

# The Basics of Metal Roofing

Rooftop Quality Assurance



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Metal Roofing
"a general term that
covers both low slope
and steep slope type
installations"



#### **Low Slope Metal Roofs**

- •1/12 to 3/12 typically installed with a "secondary" membrane layer under the metal roofing.
- Seams are tightly formed
- Fasteners are hidden "Concealed Fasteners"
- Joints are typically lapped some installations allow "pressure bar" installation.

Check with Manufacturer regarding slope limitations – ties into warranty!

## **Low Slope Metal Roofs**



#### **Steep Slope Metal Roofs**

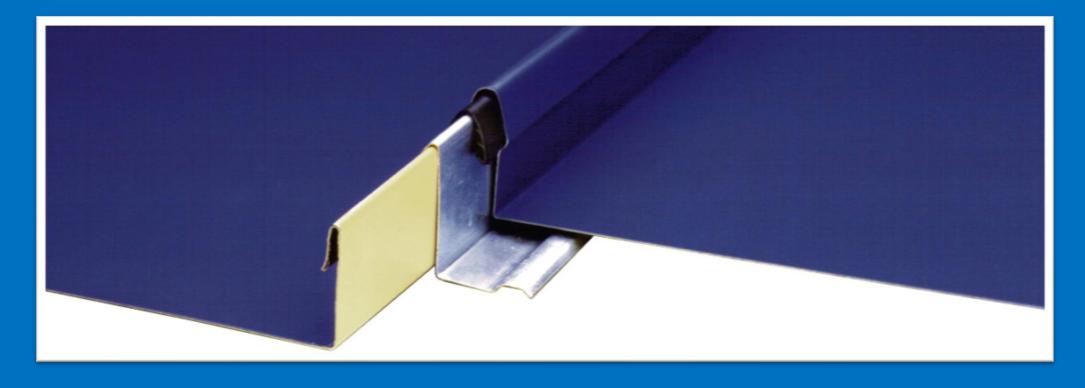
- •3/12 and Up typically installed with a "secondary" membrane layer under the metal roofing.
- Seams are usually lapped or "snapped"
- Exposed fasteners
- Joints are typically lapped

## **Steep Slope Metal Roofs**

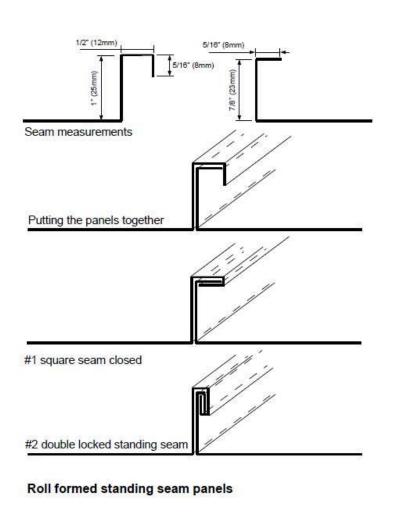


## **Seam Types**

## **Snap Fit Seams**



#### **Roll Form Seams**





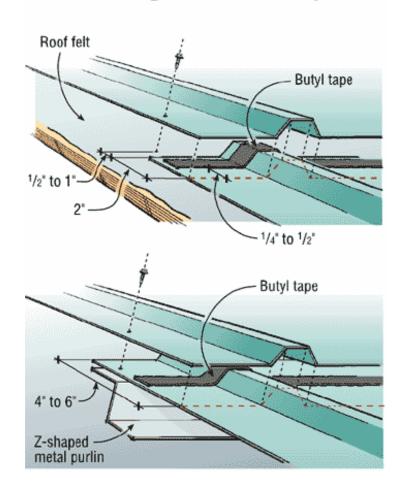


## **Batten Strip Seams**



#### **End Lap Seams**

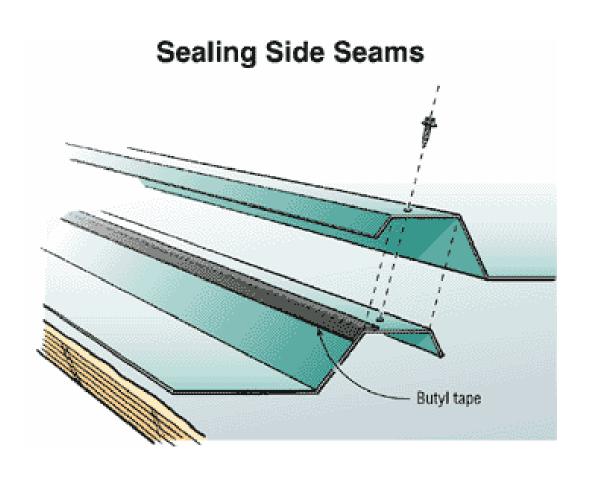
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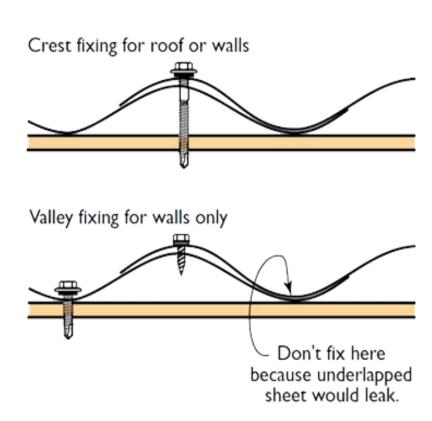


- Determined by the manufacturer
- Shingled
- Typically with sealant
- Remember "the lower the pitch the longer the lap"

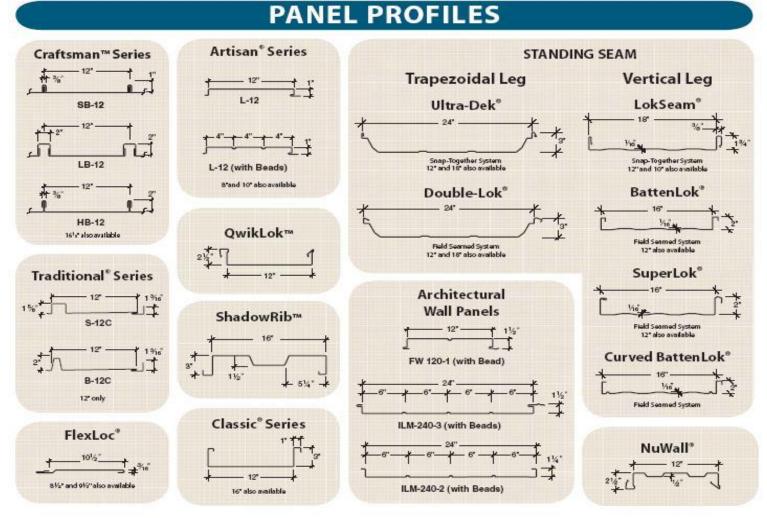


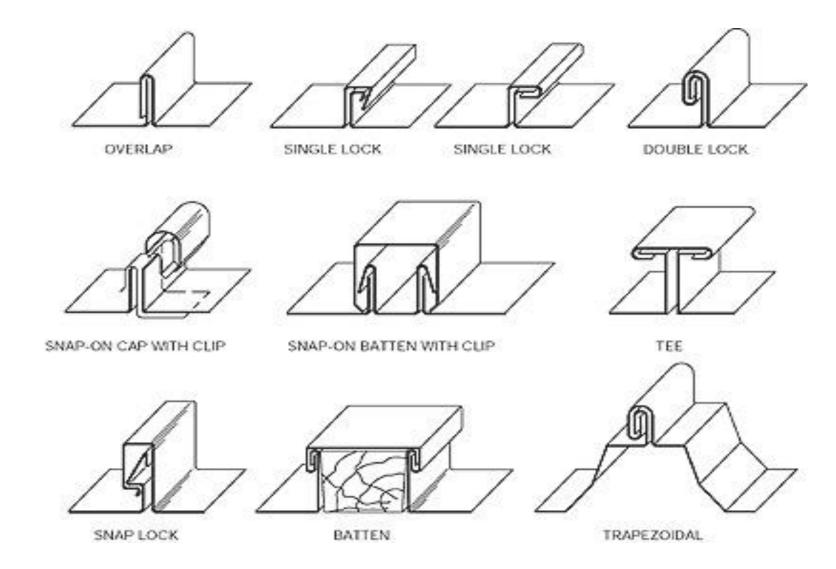
## Side Lap Seams





#### **Metal Roof Profiles**





## **Metal Shingles**

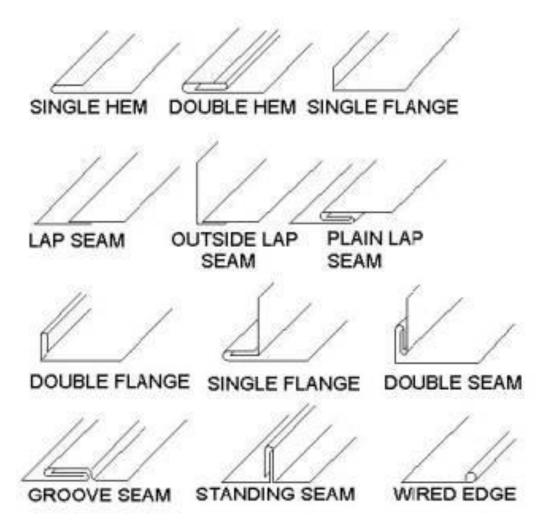




## **Flat Copper Roofs**



## **Seam Types**



#### **Metal Roof Assemblies**

- Assembly Type Insulated or Non-Insulated
- Vented or Non-vented?
- Gauge?
- High Temperature Underlayment or Not?
- Internal Gutters or External?
- Snow Guards?
- UL 580 Class 90 Compliant?

#### **Gauge & Material**

- Typical 22 & 24 gauge
- 26 gauge (more for farm and storage buildings)
- Thicker gauges are available from some manufacturers (check to verify)
- Finishes:

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Galvalume (55% Alum + 45% zinc),
Zincalume (55% Alum + 43.5% Zinc + 1.6% Silicon),
PVDF (Kynar or Hylar 500 finish)
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 Base Materials steel, stainless steel, aluminum, copper

## Underlayment





#### **Snow Guards**



Clip Type www.snowguards.biz



Bar Type www.alpinesnowguards.com

#### **Details**

