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Replacement of a Heavy Roof with a Light Weight Gerard Roof.

Gerard Roofs pressed steel tiles can be installed in place of a heavy weight roof such as concrete or clay tile.

Rafter/Truss - Top Plate Fastening

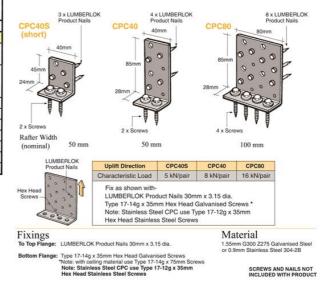
The change in roofing material weight may need an increased in the Rafter to Top Plate fastenings performance. There may be a need to increase the load capacity of the rafter/Top Plate fastenings around the perimeter of the house or building due to the reduced weight on the structure. The rafter Top Plate fastenings should be increased if they do not match or exceed the fasteners shown in Table 1.

Table 1 - Fixings required for Rafter/truss to Top Plate.

ı	Fixing types of roof trusses at supports for wind zones (table 10.14 NZS 3604:2001) Light Weight Roofs												
Truss Spacing (mm)													
			900				1200						
Wnd Zone	Low	Medium	High	Very High	Extra High	Low	Medium	High	Very High	Extra High			
Loaded Dimension of Support (m)													
3.0	Е	E	E	E	F	E	E	E	F	F			
3.5	E	E	E	F	F	E	E	E	F	SED			
4.0	E	E	E	F	SED	E	E	F	SED	SED			
4.5	E	E	E	F	SED	Е	E	F	SED	SED			
5.0	E	E	E	F	SED	E	E	F	SED	SED			
5.5	E	E	F	F	SED	E	E	F	SED	SED			
6.0	E	Е	F	SED	SED	E	E	SED	SED	SED			
Fixing Type	Fixing to resist uplift.							Alternative fixing capacity (kN)					
E	2/90 x 3.15 skew nails + 2 wire Dogs								4.7				
F	2/90 x 3.15 skew nails + 2 strap fixings								7.0				
SED	Specific Engineering Design required							ref	efer to an Engineer				

Truss Spacing	Fixing types of roof trusses at supports for wind zones (table 10.14 NZS 3604:2001)										
(mm)	Heavy Roof										
	900										
Wnd Zone	Low	Medium	High	Very High	Extra High						
Loaded Dimension of Support (m)											
3.0	E	E	E	E	E						
3.5	E	E	E	E	Е						
4.0	E	E	E	E	F						
4.5	E	E	E	E	F						
5.0	E	E	E	E	F						
5.5	Е	E	Е	F	F						
6.0	E	E	E	F	SED						

The increase in fastening load capacity may not be apparent until a section/tile of the roof is removed.



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Horizontal Loads

Light weight roofs require less bracing than Heavy weight roofs; therefore existing bracing should be sufficient to meet the needs of NZS 3604.

Refer to NZS 3604:2011 Section 10.3 System to brace horizontal loads. Table 10.16

Roofing

The heavy weight roof and its supporting battens have to be removed as the batten spacing will not suit pressed metal tiles.

Roofing underlay will have to be installed at the same time as the tile battens.

Tile battens are installed using the correct type and number of batten fastenings as described in the Gerard Roofs Installation Manual and Table 2.

These fixings meet or exceed the requirements of NZS 3604:2011.

Table 2 Gerard Roofs Specific - Tile batten fastening schedule.

Tile	Max	Maximum Span and fixing in the following										Specific	
Batten Span		Low		Medium		High		Very High		Extra		Design	
Size		32 m/s		37 m/s		44 m/s		50 m/s		High		up to 70	
		0.61 kPa		0.82 kPa		1.16 kPa		1.50 k	кРа			m/s	
										1.86 kPa		7.5 kPa	
		Spacing	Fixing	Spacing	Fixing	Spacing	Fixing	Spacing	Fixing	Spacing	Fixing	Spacing	Fixing
(mm) (mm)		(mm)		(mm)		(mm)		(mm)		(mm)			
Light Roof Cladding													
50 × 40 900 370 S			370	S	370	S	370	S	370	Т	370	U	
50 x 50	1200	370	S	370	S	370	Т	370	Т	370	Т	370	U
Fixing T	ype	Description						Alter (kN)	Alternative Fixing Capacity kN)				
R		1 / 90 x 3.15 gun nail						0.55	0.55				
S	_	2 / 90 x 3.15 gun nails						0.8					
Т	Γ 1 / 10 gauge self-drilling screw 80 mm					2.4							
		long	long										
U	1 / 14 gauge self-drilling screw 100 mm					mm	4.0						
TI C I	1 12	long											

These fastener selections take into account wind loading around the periphery of the roofs.

Gerard Roofs have instructed installers to use:

2 / 90 mm x 3.15 mm gun nails in areas up to and including the Very High Wind Zone (50 m/s) for all roofs on rafter spans up to and including 900 mm, exceeding the requirements of NZS3604:2011.

1 / 10 gauge self-drilling screw 80 mm long in the Extra High Wind Zone (55 m/s)

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Tile Nailing

Gerard Roofs Specific - Tile nailing schedule

Max Wind Load	Fastening Type	Approx. fastener			
		spacing			
3.8 kPa	4 nails/tile, and tile lap	360 mm			
5.2 kPa	5 nails/shake or shingle or 7 nails/tile*	245 mm shake/ shingle 180 mm tile			

^{*}nail at each module, Classic tile - 8 nails/tile