

STATE BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION NO. I-21-11

November 30, 2011

The following is in response to your request for formal interpretation dated November 26, 2011.

Question:

Does Section 907.3, of the 2003 International Residential Code portion of the 2005 State Building Code, require the removal of an existing single layer of roofing in order to install underlayment or provide ice and water shields when one is going to re-roof a dwelling?

Answer:

No. Section 907.3, of the above code, is clear when existing roofing material must be removed in order to install new roofing material on an existing roof and the requirement to install underlayment or ice and water shields is not listed unless the manufacturer of the new roofing material requires it.