

TECHNICAL BULLETIN

Brava Cedar Shake and Slate Roof System Update
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BRAVA CEDAR SHAKE & SLATE STARTER REDESIGN

SUMMARY

This bulletin introduces the newly designed Solid Starter made for use with the Brava Cedar Shake and Brava Slate Roof Systems. Brava has updated these Roof Systems, increasing the function, aesthetic appeal, and ease of installation. The Starter piece, usually installed at the eave and at significant slope transitions is now a solid piece with no structural ribbing on the back side. This change will simplify installation and provide a solid edge when starters must be cut at, hips, valleys, and rakes.

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REDESIGN DETAILS

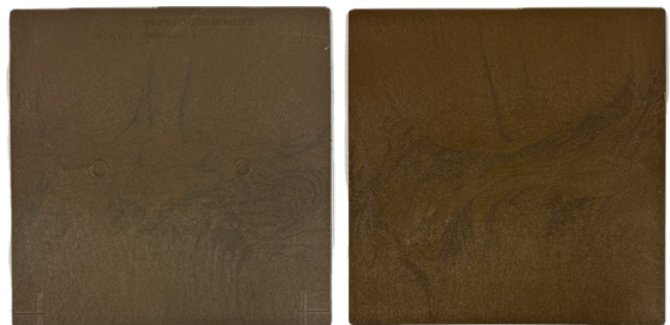
The updated Brava Shake and Slate Starter is compression molded, tapered slightly from top to bottom, and solid throughout. It can be cut at valleys, rakes, hips, and other details without exposing structural ribbing. The Solid Starter is textured on every surface to allow versatility during installation depending on what section of the starter may be visible.

These changes result in an even more functional and beautiful Cedar Shake and Slate Roof System.

PREVIOUS VS UPDATED STARTERS



PREVIOUS STARTER – 12" X 12"
TEXTURE ON FRONT EDGE/STRUCTURAL RIBBING BACK



NEW STARTER – 12" X 12"
TEXTURED ON EVERY SURFACE/SOLID THROUGHOUT

FOR A CONSISTENT APPEARANCE, THE TWO VERSIONS SHOULD NOT BE INSTALLED TOGETHER.

INSTALLATION GUIDANCE

Installation should be completed using the published [Brava Cedar Shake Installation Guide](#) or the [Brava Slate Installation Guide](#) supplemented by the installation videos available on the [Resources Page](#) on the [Brava Website](#) and on [Brava's YouTube Channel](#). With the redesign, installation procedures remain unchanged. The 1/2" and 1" markings may be used to set standard overhangs at eave and rakes respectively. Since the new Starter is solid and textured on all surfaces, this piece may be used to complete custom details as appropriate.



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NOTES

Previous version Starters will remain available from inventory and existing stock and continue to be approved for installation.

While both Starter types are compatible with the Brava Cedar Shake and Brava Slate Roof Systems, only one type should be used per project to maintain a consistent appearance.

Starters with new design and previous design should not be intermixed.

To avoid installation inconsistencies, distributors and contractors should ensure that different Starter versions are not shipped or installed together. Contact Brava to exchange low inventory amounts.

The strength and durability of Brava Roof Systems remains unchanged.
Brava has validated all warranty and code certifications with the updated system.

RESOURCES

Watch our Installation Instruction Videos on the [Brava YouTube Channel](#).

Check for updates to this and other [Technical Bulletins](#) on our [Resources Page](#).

Complete Installation Training, View Resources, and Contact Technical Support by visiting our [Technical Support Portal](#). (Brava Online Training is Self-Paced and Mobile Accessible.)

Training before beginning installation can improve project outcomes.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions regarding Brava Roof Tile products and accessories, call 844-290-4196 and ask for Technical Support.

Or contact us through the [Technical Support Portal](#).

