

# Installing the SnoFree™ SCH System for Existing Roofs



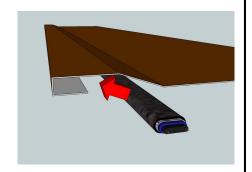
SFP - SCH

# Step # 1 Insert Heat Cable into Slot

Carefully insert the heat cable into the given slot on the SFP-SCH panel. Cable should be tight fitting and make full contact throughout the entire length.

If cable is not tight fitting once inserted into the channel or easily falls out during installation. Carefully use a pair of pliers to make a slight bend in the metal lip to snuggly hold the cable. Ensure that the pressure does not crush the cable or cause any damage.

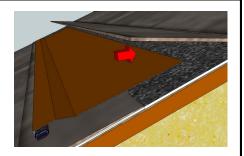
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#### Step # 2 Install the SCH

Carefully lift the corresponding shingle to receive the SFP-SCH Panel system.

Slide the SCH panel up until the top lip of the panel has arrived to the desired height. Ensure that any water entry points of the shingle will be lower on the deck than the top of the SCH upper lip.

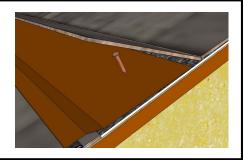


#### Step # 3 Fastening the SCH

With the corresponding shingle lifted. Use a flat headed screw to attach the SCH panel to the roof. Use a minimum of 18" spacing along upper section.

Pre-drilling into metal panel may be necessary.

Use appropriate sealant to ensure water entry is not a risk.



## Step # 4 Lay the Shingle Course back to the deck

Once the SFP-SCH panel has been installed. Return the raised shingle back to the original position which will be resting on top of the SCH panel.

Depending on the age of the shingles, a new bead of sealant, tar, or silicone may be needed to keep the shingle from being damaged by wind.





### **HINT:** Running the cable

With proper layout design, Exposed heater cable can be avoided. At every entry and exit of the SCH panel where the cable may need to turn. The cable will need to be rolled on to it side to bend at the appropriate radius. This can be tricky if not enough space has been left to roll the cable.

At example A. this shows the SCH panel stopping short of the end wall by approximately 6" to allow sufficinent space for the cable to exit the panel and roll to bend the cable. Once the appropriate turn has been made, the cable will need to roll again in order to lay flat for re-entry into the next SCH panel. A roofing clip may be needed to ensure the cable does not move after installation and to keep the cable protected.

At example **B.** this shows the SCH panel stopping at a rake of the roof. Similar to example "A" the cable will need to be rolled to make the turn. Stopping the SCH panel short and using to rubber coated D38 roofing clip may be needed to ensure the cable does not lay against a sharp rake edge or twist within the SCH panel causing damage. Using a D38 clip against the fascia or drip edge may be needed to hold the cable firmly in place.

At example **C..** this shows the heater cable exiting the system entirely. This may be a power connection location or an end seal location. Using a D38 clip against the fascia or drip edge may be needed to hold the cable firmly in place.

Ensure no sharp edges that could potentially cut into the outer jacket of the heat cable.





#### **Tools Needed:**

• 1) Radial arm saw or "chop saw" to cut the aluminum extrusions. A 100 tooth carbide tipped saw blade is suggested. 2) Metal shears or "tin-snips". 3) Use the appropriate metal cutting blade to trim the cladding (sheet metal) as needed. 4) Hand and/ or powered screwdriver(s) with the appropriate tip(s) for the attachment screws to be used. All screws should be the flush head type (Pan Headed) for best results. 5) A folding bar to create or modify any bends. 6) Safety Glasses and/or any other safety equipment needed. 7) Use all ladders in a safe & responsible manner and avoid overhead power lines.

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