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Q : Where can I buy Leadax Easy?

A : You can find a building merchant that sells Leadax Easy near you on leadax.com/dealers. Leadax works together with exclusive distributors worldwide. If Leadax Easy is not available in your country, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Q : Can you use Leadax Easy to fix existing faulty/leaking lead flashing?

A : Yes, this is possible.

Lift up the existing lead work and install Leadax Easy underneath. After this, dress down the lead over Leadax Easy as an over flashing. Make sure to trim the existing lead back if you want to create a smaller over flashing. If you've completely removed the lead you'll need to install Leadax Easy in the brickwork or underneath the fascia.

Q : Where can Leadax Easy be installed?

A : Leadax Easy can be installed in the following situations:

- Leadax Easy can be used as a water barrier under window casings.
- At the intersection between chimney bases and roof tiles to provide a water barrier.
- Leadax Easy can be applied to the base of dormers and skylights as a waterproofing layer at the joint between dormer side walls and tiled roofs.
- Leadax Easy can be used as valley gutters.
- Leadax Easy can be used as waterproofing on the ridges of (tiled) roofs.

Q : Can Leadax Easy be installed on corrugated roof profiles?

A : Yes. Leadax Easy can be easily shaped to create a tight fit on corrugated roof profiles.

Q : Do you need any specialist tools to install Leadax Easy?

A : No specialist tools are required to install Leadax Easy as it can easily be installed by hand. The easiest way to dress Leadax Easy is to using both thumbs. Make sure that the butyl sealing strips/layer is dressed down to the roof to make Leadax Easy stick to the roof and create a watertight seal.

Although no specialist tools are required, we do recommend using a Leadax roller to push down Leadax Easy for a perfect finish.

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Q : Can Leadax Easy be painted?

A : Leadax Easy doesn't need to be painted, as the product is available in a variety of colours (lead grey, black, white, terracotta and copper). Have a look at the colours on leadax.com.

It is also possible for us to provide you with a specific color. Please contact Leadax to ask for more information about this option.

Q : How do I install Leadax Easy?

A : Leadax Easy is self-adhesive and can be applied by hand. The main difference between Leadax Easy FA and Leadax Easy SA is that the former is fully self-adhesive, whereas the latter has two self-adhesive strips. Please visit leadax.com/application for the application instructions.

Please make sure to also consult with your local building regulations.

Q : What are the application benefits of Leadax easy compare to Lead sheet?

A : Contrary to traditional waterproofing materials, Leadax Easy can be installed in one piece without needing an overlap every metre. This is made possible by the PVB, which makes it highly wind and weather resistant.

As Leadax Easy weighs less than traditional lead sheet (2,25 kg/m² versus 18 kg/m²) you can easily carry the products up to the roof.

Q : Can Leadax Easy just be stuck up against the brickwork, rendered wall or facia?

A : Yes, but make sure to create a dry, clean and grease-free surface before application.

Q : Does Leadax Easy need a pre and/or post treatment?

A : No. While lead sheet needs to be patinated, Leadax Easy does not, as the surface does not oxidize. With the use of Leadax Easy you also avoid white pinstripes, which you will get when using lead without patination.

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Q : Can Leadax Easy be used on metal and polycarbonate roofs?

A : Yes, Leadax Easy can be used on different types of roofs, including metal and polycarbonate roofs.

Q : Where is Leadax Easy made and how long has it been on the market?

A : Leadax Original is the new lead, which was the first product Leadax brought to market. Together with Leadax Original, the self-adhesive lead replacements Leadax Easy FA and Leadax SA are part of the product category Leadax Flashing.

Q : How long is Leadax Easy guaranteed for?

A : Leadax Easy has 20 years guarantee, as long as it's installed according to the installation instructions.

Q : What is Leadax Easy made of and what are its properties?

A : Leadax Easy is made from recycled polyvinyl butyral (PVB). PVB is the plastic foil in safety glass which could not be reused, until now. There is an abundance of PVB waste available worldwide. In Europe alone, 1.5 billion kilograms of PVB waste are added to this enormous pile of plastic waste. Every year. For comparison: This is the weight of 150 Eiffel towers. Between the PVB layers is an aluminum honeycomb mesh, which makes sure Leadax Easy retains its shape after being formed and/or moulded into place. To make the Leadax Easy self-adhesive, there are either two butyl sealing strips (on the Easy SA) or a layer underneath the whole surface (on the Easy FA). These strips provide a strong and long lasting seal between the two surfaces.

After its lifetime of 30 years, Leadax Easy can be recycled and the derived raw materials can be reused to create new Leadax products. This way Leadax works on a sustainable future, without waste.

Q : Is it possible to create an overlap between two Leadax Easy strips, and if so, how?

A : Yes, this possible. Please note that the overlap should be at least 8 cm. Please consult with the application instructions on leadax.com/application if you want to know how to create an overlap.

