# Standoffs Installation Manual



[1] Installer responsibility

#### The installer is solely responsible for:

- Complying with all applicable local or national building codes, including any that may supercede this manual;
- Ensuring that Unirac and other products are appropriate for the particular installation and the installation environment;
- Ensuring that the roof, its rafters, connections, and other structural support members can support the array under building live load conditions;
- Using only Unirac parts and installer-supplied parts as specified by Unirac (substitution of parts may void the warranty);
- Maintaining the waterproof integrity of the roof; and
- Ensuring safe installation of all electrical aspects of the PV array.

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#### Standoffs: 3-, 4-, 6-, and 7-inch lengths available



\* The installer is solely responsible for determining whether lags are adequate to handle live and dead loads under wind conditions at the installation site. Wind loads and lag pullout capacities are addressed in Code-Compliant installation manual for SolarMount (Installation Manual 227) and SunFrame (Installation Manual 809).

Flashings for all current standoffs (15/8" O.D. shaft)(see illustrations, p. 3)

|                         | Part no.* | Dimensions |
|-------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Collared, aluminum      | 004015C   | 9″ x 12″   |
| Collared, soft aluminum | 004013C   | 18″ x 18″  |

#### \*Packs of 12 flashings.

Flashing refers to thin, continuous pieces of sheet metal or other impervious material installed to prevent the passage of water into a structure from an angle or joint.

Flashing generally operates on the principal that, for water to penetrate a joint, it must work itself upward against the force of gravity or in the case of wind-driven rain, it would have to follow a tortuous path during which the driving force will be dissi-pated.

Unirac offers flashings to be used specifically with Unirac standoffs. These flashings are collared, thereby eliminating the need for the use of sealant between standoff and flashing. The flashing slides over the standoff, under the shingle above, and over the shingle below.

The following installation instruction provides an explanation of planning and installation of two different applications.

## Planning and installation

There are many possible configurations of standoffs and flashing. The two examples here illustrate major product varieties and installation settings.

#### Example 1

2-piece, aluminum, flat top standoff Soft aluminum flashing Tile roof SunFrame (shown) or SolarMount rail



Remove a tile over a rafter. Install the base of a two-piece standoff, ensuring that both lag bolts are screwed into the rafter. Install soft aluminum flashing over the base, inserting it under the tile above and forming it to the shape of the tile. Insert standoff shaft through the opening in the flashing, screwing it down firmly in place onto the base. Seal with roofing cement or other appropriate compound.

Attach L-feet to standoffs. Slide L-foot mounting bolts along slot on SunFrame (or SolarMount) rail. Insert footing bolts through L-feet and fasten with flange nuts.

#### Example 2

2-piece, aluminum, flat top standoff No-Calk<sup>™</sup> flashing Shingled roof SunFrame (shown) or SolarMount rail



Cut an opening in the roofing material over a rafter to accommodate the flashing riser. Install the standoff, ensuring that both lag bolts are screwed into the rafter. Insert the flashing under the shingle above and over the shaft of the standoff. No-Calk collar does not require sealing of the flashing and standoff shaft.

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### Warranty Information

See http://www.unirac.com for current warranty documents and information.



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