# Design and Installation Guidelines for Roof and Gutter Applications

### **PREPARATION**

1. Verify you are using the correct heating cable and components.

Heating cable: 2803-11R (120 volt) (CSA Certified Roof De-Icing

2805-11R (120 volt) when used with associated kits 2806-11R (120 Volt) and installed per manufacturer's

2806-21R (208, 240, 277 volt) instructions.)

Power connection kit with (2) 1548-40R5P Use with 2803 and 2805 Series Cable

End seals:

Power connection kit with (2) 1548-40R6P Use with 2806 Series Cable

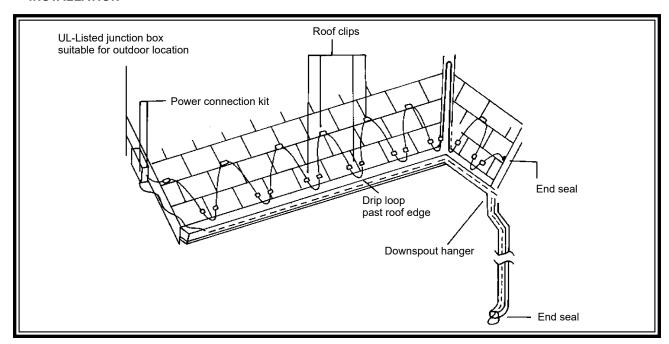
End seals:

Roof clips: 1548-40RGC

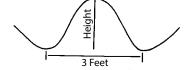
Downspout hanger: 1548-40RGH

2. Visually inspect components for in-transit or handling damage and perform continuity and insulation resistance (megger) tests on the heating cable.

## **INSTALLATION**



- 1. Install components in accordance with roof and gutter component installation instructions.
- 2. Spacing:



Height:

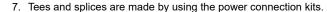
Heater should extend high enough

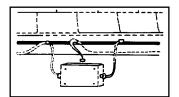
up the roof to extend over the heated part of the building.

3. Roof-edge heating cable usage chart (does not include heating cable for gutter and downspouts):

Eve overhang	Eve overhang Feet of heating cable (per foot of roof edge)		
12"	1' 6"		
24"	2' 6"		
36"	3' 6"		
48"	4' 6"		

- Using the roof clips, make sure the heating cable forms a drip loop at the roof edge, which extends past the roof edge, forming a drainage path off the roof.
- Install downspout hangers above all downspouts, to help support the heating cable in those locations.
- Extend the heating cable past the bottom of the downspouts just far enough to form a small drip loop. End seals at these locations should be tucked back up inside the downspout.





Circuit Breaker S	Sizing		Max. Cable Length (feet)	
			120 Volt Cable	208 to 277 Volt Cable
15 amp	If started at:	32° F	100	160
		0° F	90	145
		-20° F	75	130
20 amp	If started at:	32° F	130	210
		0° F	120	190
		-20° F	100	170
30 amp	If started at:	32° F	190	320
		0° F	175	290
		-20° F	155	260

# **TESTING BEFORE OPERATION**

1. After all components have been installed, but prior to hookup of power wires to heating cable bus wires, perform an insulation resistance (megger) test using a 2500 VDC megger. Reading should be at least 20 megohms.

### **NOTES**

- 1. Section 426-53 of the National Electric Code requires ground fault protection for all electric de-icing and snow melting applications. This ground fault protection must be at a level of protection greater than that which is provided by a standard circuit breaker. Since a 5 ma trip GFI may result in a nuisance trip, a trip level of 30 ma is recommended.
- 2. Part 1, Section 10 of the Canadian Electrical Code requires grounded metal structures used for support or on which the cable is installed. Do not install heater closer than 13 mm to any exposed combustible surface.
- 3. Install cable at -40°C or above using a minimum bend radius of 1/4 inch.
- 4. Some roof slopes may require the use of a snow/ice fence to prevent damage to the heating cable from snow and ice slides.
- 5. For gutters wider than 6 inches, use two runs of heating cable in the gutter.

Warning - the contents of the component kit must be installed correctly to ensure proper operation and to prevent shock or fire. Read these important warnings and carefully follow all the installation instructions.

- To minimize the danger of fire from sustained electrical arcing if the heating cable is damaged or improperly installed, use a ground fault protection device. Arcing may not be stopped by conventional circuit breakers.
- Component approvals and performance are based on the use of specified parts only. Do not substitute parts or use vinyl electrical tape.
- The black heating-cable core is conductive and can short. It must be properly insulated and kept dry.
- Bus wires will short if they contact each other. Keep bus wires separated.
- Heat-damaged components can short. Use a heat gun or a torch with a soft yellow low-heat flame; not a blue focused flame. Keep
  the flame moving to avoid overheating, blistering, or charring the heat-shrink tubes. Avoid heating other components. Replace any
  damaged parts.
- Leave these installation instructions with the user for future reference.

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