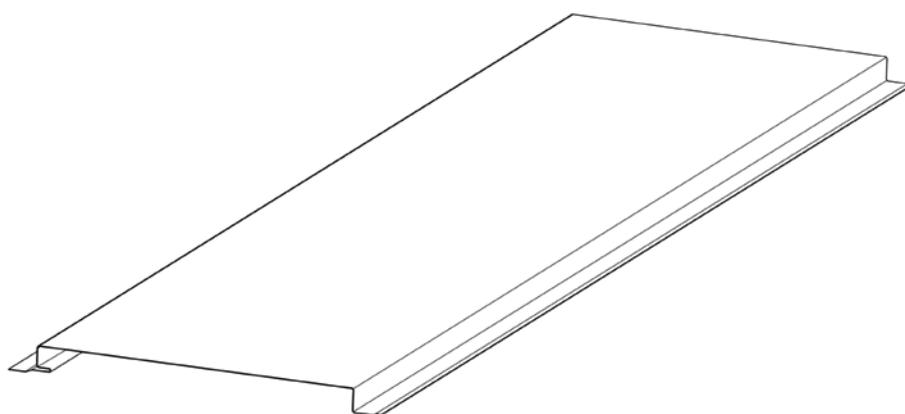


# AVANTALINE™ WALL CLADDING

Product Technical Manual



# SELECTION AND SPECIFICATION



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## FEATURES

- Visually striking
- Available in 25mm height
- All panels have a 15mm groove joint between them through which fasteners are installed
- Available in standard and matt COLORBOND® steel colours, as well as ZINCALUME® steel and Unicote® Lux
- Manufactured from non-combustible materials
- Fully tested and NCC compliant with a full range of load performance data tables to suit most applications.

## APPLICATIONS

Part of Stramit's premier Architectural range, AvantaLine™ cladding can be installed horizontally or vertically to suit the architectural requirements of the project.

A variety of finishes make AvantaLine™ cladding an easy choice for architectural cladding.

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## MATERIALS

Stramit's AvantaLine™ cladding is manufactured from G300 colour coated steel, aluminium-zinc-magnesium or zinc-aluminium alloy coated steel. In some locations severe environment colour-coated steel may be available by arrangement.

Colour-coated steels are in accordance with AS/NZS2728 - Category 3 and, for the substrate, with AS1397. Aluminium-zinc-magnesium alloy coated AM100/AM125, zinc-aluminium alloy coated AZ150 conforms to AS1397.

Stramit has a comprehensive range of colours as standard. Ask your nearest Stramit location for colour availability.

STRAMIT AVANTALINE™ CLADDING COLORBOND® XRW 0.55mm BMT - SHEETING MASS				
RIB HEIGHT (mm)	TOP WIDTH (mm)	COVER (mm)	GROOVE JOINT (mm)	MASS (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )
25	285	300	15	5.93

## ADVERSE CONDITIONS

AvantaLine™ wall cladding will give excellent durability in almost all locations. It is however important to choose the correct coating for each application environment as shown in the table below. Durability recommendations do vary based on the application of the product, in walling installations. Please read the table below carefully.

Suitability of coating type	Wall cladding- distance from marine environment
COLORBOND®	> 1km
COLORBOND® ULTRA	> 500m
MagnaFlow®	> 500m

The suitability and exposure table above is current at the time of publication and is a guideline only; conditions will vary from site to site. Please check the BlueScope Technical Bulletins at [www.bluescopesteel.com.au](http://www.bluescopesteel.com.au) for the latest information and guidance on selection, maintenance and durability. If uncertain about the appropriate coating for a particular application, or if the product is to be used in environments affected by industrial emissions, fossil fuel combustion, animal farming, or has unwashed areas, please contact your nearest Stramit office for advice.

## COMPATIBILITY

All building products need to be checked for compatibility with adjacent materials. These checks need to be for both direct contact between materials, and where water runs from one material to another. The following guidelines generally avoid material incompatibility:

- For zinc-aluminium alloy coated steel, colour coated steel and galvanised steel roofs **avoid** copper, lead, green or treated timber, stainless steel, uncoated steel and mortar or concrete.

## TESTING

Stramit has in-house, purpose built, air-box testing equipment used to design, develop and improve products for the Australian market. In addition, many Stramit® products are tested by independent organisations.

This ongoing research and development activity ensure that Stramit remains at the forefront of innovation, design and consumer information.

## ARCHITECTURAL SPECIFICATION

This specification can be found on the Stramit website and can be easily downloaded onto your documentation.

The walling shall be 0.55mm BMT Stramit AvantaLine™ cladding in continuous lengths with 25mm high ribs and flat tops spaced at specified centres to suit fixing methods.

Sheeting material shall be protected steel sheet to Australian Standard AS1397, with a minimum yield stress of 300MPa (Grade G300) and an AM100/AZ150 coating with an oven-baked paint film of selected colour, or a plain AM125/AZ150 coating.

The sheeting shall be fixed to the girts/battens in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Suitable fixing screws in accordance with Australian Standard AS3566, Class 3, shall be used at every support.

Sheets shall be laid in such a manner that the approved side lap faces away from the prevailing weather.

Flashings shall be supplied in compatible materials as specified; minimum cover of flashing shall be 150mm.

All sheeting shall be fixed in a workman-like manner, leaving the job clean and weathertight.

All debris (nuts, screws, cuttings, filings etc.) shall be cleaned off daily.

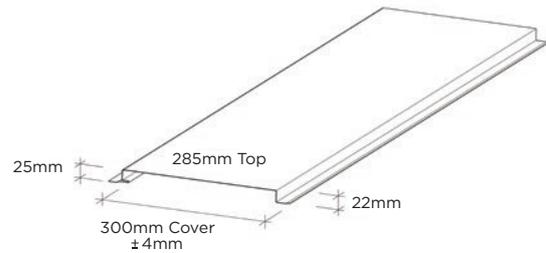
# DESIGN

## SPAN TABLES

Stramit tests to Australian Standard AS1562.1 called up in the National Construction Code to provide span load tables.

The spans shown below are based on the direct pressure testing method described in the current version of AS1562.1 and take account of wind resistance including local pressure zone effects.

Pressures are based on AS4055 or AS1170.2. Where the two standards differ, the worst case has been taken for each classification.



Data should only be used for buildings 7m or less in height, 1000m<sup>2</sup> or less in area, where both length and width exceed the building height and site is unaffected by land topography.

Designs for the most popular profiles are shown below.

STRAMIT AVANTALINE™ CLADDING MAXIMUM SPAN CHART (mm)								
Rib Height (mm)	Top Width (mm)	Cover (mm)	WALL					OVERHANG (mm)
			Pressure (kPa)		Double spans	Equal spans	Internal (end) spans	
		Serviceability	Strength					
<b>N1 or Region A (TC3, FS) Wind Classification</b>								
25	285	300	0.55	0.94	1200	1200	1200(950)	100
<b>N2 or Region B(TC3,FS) or Region A (TC2.5,PS) Wind Classification</b>								
25	285	300	0.79	1.31	1100	1150	1200(950)	100
<b>N3 or Region B(TC2.5, PS) or Region A (TC2, NS) Wind Classification</b>								
25	285	300	0.99	2.03	850	900	1000(800)	100

The table above gives the maximum spans. Use of 450mm or 600mm spans will reduce the risk of any aesthetic issues. Internal spans must have both end spans 20% shorter. Values are only valid for use on steel supports 0.55mm G550 or thicker. Where thinner supports are used, fastener capacity must be checked. For 0.48mm thick battens, use #10x25 wafer head Type 17 screws and reduce strength capacity above by 15%. All spans and pressures based on edge areas of wall. In some instances, better spans may be possible away from the edges. TC Terrain category. FS, PS, NS Full, partial and no shielding. Internal pressure coefficient +0.2/-0.3. For more specific applications, AvantaLine™ cladding must be designed to the pressure limitations on the next table.

## AVANTALINE™ CLADDING WIND PRESSURE TABLE - NON-CYCLONIC AREAS

Stramit tests to Australian Standard AS1562.1 called up in the National Construction Code to provide wind pressure tables.

The table below shows wind pressure capacity based on the direct pressure (airbox) test method.

Tables are based on testing to AS1562.1 and AS4040 parts 0 and 2. Internal spans must have both end spans 20% shorter.

STRAMIT AVANTALINE™ CLADDING WIND PRESSURE TABLE - NON-CYCLONIC AREAS											
Rib Height (mm)	Top Width (mm)	Cover (mm)	Span Type	Serviceability pressure (kPa) at the span (mm) shown				Strength pressure (kPa) at the span (mm) shown			
				450	600	900	1200	450	600	900	1200
25	285	300	Internal	2.52	2.52	1.71	0.93	4.43	3.21	2.48	1.46
			Equal	2.52	2.52	1.71	0.93	3.88	2.82	2.17	1.28
			Double	2.52	2.52	1.71	0.93	3.55	2.58	1.99	1.17

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## SPRING CURVING

Stramit's AvantaLine™ cladding is not suitable for spring curving applications. It is most important that the structure behind the AvantaLine™ cladding is the one flat plane, so any installation distortions are reduced.

## SHEET LENGTH FOR DESIGN PURPOSES

AvantaLine™ cladding standard production maximum length is 9 metres. Longer lengths may be available however are not standard and should be discussed with Stramit before designing. Due to the nature of the interlocking profile, additional care

must be taken when manufacturing, handling and transporting long lengths. It's recommended that designs are made within the current standard lengths.

### THERMAL EXPANSION

All metal sheeting is subject to thermal expansion and, where there is a temperature difference between the sheeting and the structure, this needs to be accommodated. The colour of the sheeting will affect the amount of thermal expansion and will affect its ability to resist without problems.

### OIL CANNING

Wide, flat profiles may be subject to "oil canning", a perceived waviness in the material. This may happen in any wide, flat profiles and is usually an aesthetic issue only and the structural performance is not affected.

Since many uncontrollable factors are involved, no manufacturer can realistically assure the total elimination of oil canning.

With careful attention to the production and selection of material, to the panel design and to installation practice, oil canning can be effectively minimised.

To minimise the appearance of oil canning, use narrower profiles, lighter colours in matt finishes, ensure the sub structure is in a flat plane and fasteners are installed correctly.

## PROCUREMENT

### ORDERING

AvantaLine™ cladding can be ordered directly, through distributors, or supplied and fixed from a roofing contractor.

### PRICES

Prices on AvantaLine™ cladding and its accessories can be obtained from your nearest Stramit location or distributor of Stramit® products. As Stramit does not provide an installation service, ask your tradesperson for a supply and fix price. Contact your nearest Stramit location for the names of tradespersons in your area.

### LENGTH

AvantaLine™ cladding is supplied cut-to-length. When designing or transporting long products ensure that the length is within the limit of the local Transport Authority regulations. The manufacturing tolerance on the length of product supplied is +0, -15mm.

## FLAMMABILITY AND COMBUSTIBILITY

Fire resistance is such an important topic and one that we take seriously at Stramit.

Stramit® roofing, cladding, rainwater and structural building products are manufactured from steel produced by BlueScope® Steel or Pacific Coil Coaters (through Selection Steel). Both organisations have had independent tests on their materials carried out by CSIRO or AWTA. The testing was conducted in accordance with the Australian Standard AS1530.3 'Simultaneous Determination of Ignitability, Flame Propagation, Heat Release and Smoke Release.' All materials had a surface finish less than 1mm in thickness and a Spread of Flame Index of 0. When tested to AS5637.1, Bluescope® COLORBOND® Steel has a Product Group Number classification of 1.

Stramit® products made from these steel sources and with the tested finishes would be considered non-combustible according to NCC 2019 Volume One Part C1.9(e) and Volume Two Part 3.7.1.1.

It is important to note that Stramit® sheeting is only one component used in construction of these building elements, and other components must also meet the necessary requirements to satisfy the criteria.

For more information, refer to the *Stramit Flammability Guide* on [stramit.com.au](http://stramit.com.au).

## RELATED PRODUCTS



**Flashings** - a range of custom flashings, barge roll etc.

Refer to the *Stramit® Roof and Wall Flashing Architectural Detailing Design Guide* available on [stramit.com.au](http://stramit.com.au)



**Insulation** - a range of Sisalation® foil insulation, plain & foil backed blanket.

## INSULATION

AvantaLine™ cladding is suitable for use with insulating blanket. Glasswool blanket up to 50mm thick can be readily used. Increased thicknesses require longer fasteners and greater care in installation. Ensure the length of the screw is sufficient to have a minimum of 3 threads protruding below the support. For domestic applications Stramit recommends that insulation is always used.

## DELIVERY/UNLOADING

AvantaLine™ cladding requires additional care when transporting and unloading.

Pack mass may be up to one tonne. When lifting AvantaLine™ cladding, care should be taken to ensure that the load is spread to prevent damage.

Delivery can normally be made within 72 hours, subject to the delivery location, quantity and material availability, or can be at a pre-arranged date and time.

Please ensure that suitable arrangements have been made for truck unloading, as this is the responsibility of the receiver.

## HANDLING/STORAGE

AvantaLine™ cladding should be handled with care at all times to preserve the product capabilities and quality of the finish. Packs should always be kept dry and stored above ground level while on site. If the sheets have become wet, they should be separated, wiped and placed in the open to promote drying.

## FASTENERS

All fasteners with Phillips head.

**One screw at each edge and lap through both layers of material per support:**



**Steel battens:** 0.48mm BMT - 10 x 25mm wafer head Type 17 screws

0.55mm BMT or greater - 10 x 16mm wafer head self-drilling screws

**Timber battens:** 10 x 25mm wafer head Type 17 screws

# INSTALLATION

AvantaLine™ cladding is readily installed with or without fiberglass insulation blanket.

The use of heavy-duty sarking is recommended to ensure weather tightness. If practical lay sheets in the opposite direction to prevailing weather.

Installation of AvantaLine™ cladding is a straightforward procedure using the following fixing sequence.

## FASTENER LOCATION

AvantaLine™ direct fix cladding has the fasteners driven through both layers of each lap joint, shown as double skin fixing on the right.

## SITE INDUCTION

Consideration should be given to handling and installation issues as part of site induction safety procedures. Specific consideration should be given to pack handling, avoidance of cuts, trips, slips and falls, long sheet handling particularly in windy conditions, sheet cutting procedures and surface temperature on sunny days. Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) should always be used.

## GOOD PRACTICE

Stramit recommends that good trade practice be followed when using this product, such as that found in Australian Standards AS/NZ 1562.1 and handbook HB39.

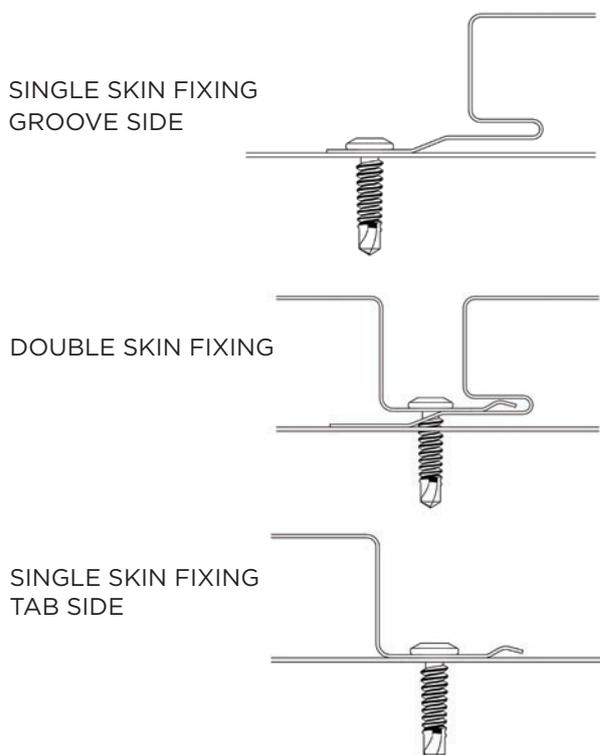
## SHEET HANDLING

Cut resistant or leather gloves should be worn when handling product. Foot protection should be worn when handling and transporting product.

## CUTTING

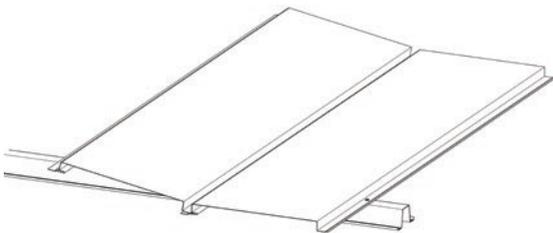
AvantaLine™ cladding can be easily cold cut, where required, using a power saw with a steel cutting blade or a power nibbler and, for localised cutting, tin snips. Avoid the use of abrasive discs as these can cause burred edges and coating damage.

**Please dispose of any off-cuts carefully.**



## Installation steps

1. Ensure all purlins/battens are in line and correctly installed and that building wrap, plywood substrate, mesh and blanket (if specified) are in place. Note plywood substrate may not be accepted in bushfire prone areas.
2. Position the first sheet ensuring correct overhangs and fix the trailing edge to each support using the nominated fastener. Ensure screws are not over tightened.
3. Carefully insert the trailing edge of the next sheet into the groove in the leading edge of the former sheet. Ensure a uniform gap of 15mm is maintained between the vertical upstands of the two sheets by using spacers or similar. Any variation in the gap will be visible, care must be taken to ensure it is uniform.
4. Fix the two sheets down with a single screw at each support, ensuring both layers are fixed down as indicated in double skin fixing diagram.
5. Continue to install subsequent sheets checking that the sheet ends are aligned and the 15mm gap between the sheet upstands is maintained.
6. Measure the overall cover width at the top and bottom of the sheets from time to time to avoid "fanning".
7. Install flashings as necessary to ensure watertight solution.
8. Clean up after each day's work, removing all screws, cuttings, swarf etc and leave area clean.



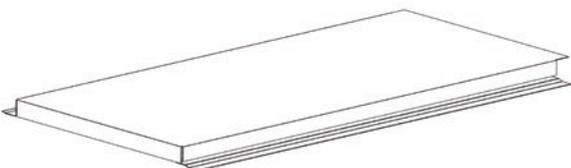
Note that the different cover width versions of AvantaLine™ cladding can be used together to create different architectural appearances.

## END LAPS

End lapping of AvantaLine™ cladding is not recommended. Contact Stramit Technical Services for more information.

## CLOSED ENDS

Panels can be supplied with one end closed and the other end notched out and ready to be folded down.



## TYPICAL FLASHING DETAIL

See below for typical corner flashing detail.



For more flashing detail, refer to the *Stramit® Roof and Wall Flashing Architectural Detailing Design Guide* available on [stramit.com.au](http://stramit.com.au).

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## MAINTENANCE

Exterior surfaces of metal products unwashed by rain can benefit from occasional washing to remove build-up of corrosive salts. Walls beneath eaves or awnings are such a situation.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

As well as our standard range of Technical Manuals, Installation Leaflets, Case Studies and other promotional literature Stramit has a series of Guides to aid design.

## REFERENCES

In preparing this document reference has been made to:

- Standards Australia Handbook – HB39 (Installation code for metal roof and wall cladding)
- BlueScope Steel – Technical Bulletin TB-4 (Maintenance of exterior BlueScope® coated steel products)
- BlueScope Steel – Technical Bulletin TB-1 (Steel roofing and walling products – selection guide)

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