

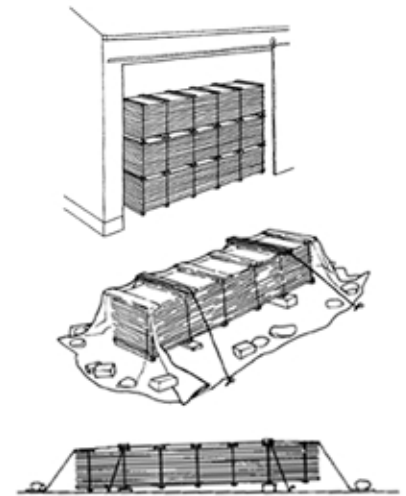
Metal Roofing & Wall Cladding *Practical Advice*

Storage

Check the delivered metal roofing sheets are as ordered. Metal roofing sheets manufactured from COLOURCOIL® high performance pre-painted steel are *brand marked* at the bottom.

Under normal conditions, most roofing sheets can be stored in their original packing for about one month, provided they are kept off the ground. The sheets must be stored at an angle and preferably be placed on 20mm thick timber packing spaced at 1 metre centers. Metal roofing sheets should ideally be covered with proper ventilation between the sheets and cover.

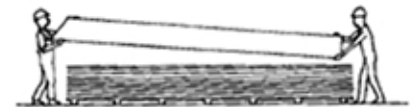
In the case of poor storage conditions or storage longer than one month, the packaging should be removed with the sheets separated from each other by thin timber packings.



Handling

When unloading bundles of sheeting with a crane, always use a spreader bar and slings to prevent damage to sides.

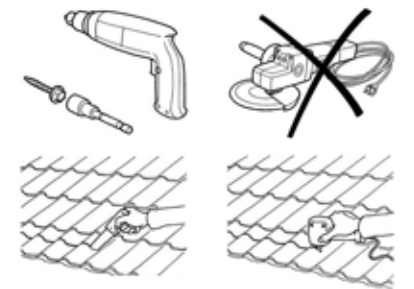
Use clean dry gloves when manually handling sheets and do not drag sheets over each other.



Trimming

Generally, no special tools are required. However, work will be much easier if you have an electric drill and screwdriver. To cut metal roofing sheet, always use a piercing saw, shears or a trimmer/nibbler.

Never cut metal roofing sheet with parting grinder. It would burn the coating and galvanization on the edge of the sheet which may lead to corrosion.



Cleaning

Metal dust and chips from cutting and drilling must be brushed off, since they oxidize and can damage the surface.

Normal soiling resulting from the work can be removed with normal cleaners; do not use powerful solvents which could damage the coating.

Any scratches made during assembly can be touched up with a special paint (to be ordered from Colourcoil Industries).

In any case, the galvanization of the steel prevents any oxidation of damaged spots.

