

## Lightweight Sythetic Slate Roof Care & Maintenance

## Walking on your Britmet Roof

If you need to walk on your Britmet roof, we advise wearing soft soled footwear to avoid damaging the surface of the roof. When placing your feet, make sure you bear your weight on the lowest point of the tile, by the front edge, which is over the battens. Be sure to try and avoid walking on the roof when it's wet - particularly with steep pitched roofs.

## Keeping your Britmet Roof Clean

Do not allow leaf debris to build up on the surface because if it is left unattended, the debris will form leaf mould by holding moisture, reducing the lifespan of the product. Remove debris in a non-abrasive manor to prevent the roof scratching and keep the gutters clean and clear to ensure proper water drainage. Any overhanging branches must not be in contact with the surface of the roof, wind generated movement can result in possible mechanical damage to the surface of some roof coverings. Be sure to look for signs of any cracked or broken slates that could have been caused by impact or rain damage. Liteslate will not break when subjected to foot traffic.

#### **Growth Prevention**

Liteslate does not actively promote growth on the surface, however, for peace of mind we advise treating your new roof with a fungicide to prevent possible growth of moss, algae etc. This will need to be done every 3-4 years.

#### **Growth Removal**

Power washing can remove any growth from the Liteslate's surface. When power washing, be sure to clear the guttering too. If you don't have access to a power washer, you can manually remove growth using a rubber scraper or bristle broom and chloride solution. Follow this by treating your roof with good quality fungicide.

#### Alterations to your Roof

If you decide to alter your roof at a later stage, (eg, skylights, extensions, solar panels etc.) it is important to ensure the materials used are suitable and compatible with your Britmet roof. We can manufacture any flashing you require, so don't hesitate to come to us for any bespoke items to assist with your alterations.

Lightweight Composite Slate | Lightweight Granulated Tile Panels | Lightweight Tile Effect Sheets | Flat-to-Pitch Roof Systems Structural Liner Trays | Door Canopies | Decorative Exterior Paint

# RAISING THE STANDARDS IN LIGHTWEIGHT ROOFING