Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What is Ironstone?
A. Ironstone is certified porcelain tile, the highest quality ceramic tile. Virtually impervious to water, Ironstone is guaranteed to last.

Q: How does Ironstone compare to other roofing products PRICE-WISE?
A: The initial cost of Ironstone is comparable to wood shakes, metal roofing or plastic, synthetic products. However, when considering the long-term cost, Ironstone is less expensive because it last longer and is easier to maintain.

Q: How can an Ironstone roof add value to my home?
A: Realtors agree that most home “sell from the street”. Depending on your roof’s pitch, over half of your home’s appearance is the roof. The charm and elegance of an Ironstone slate or shake roof reflects the quality of the rest of your home. The transferrable 75 Year Limited Warranty is an added bonus.

Q: Plastic or synthetic products fade (many times un-evenly) over time. Does Ironstone fade?
A: No. Ironstone never fades. The colors are fired-in at over 2600° F . Your roof will look the same decades from now, GUARANTEED. In fact, Ironstone is harder than steel, you cannot scratch it.

Q: I live in an area where moss and mold discolor roofs. Does Ironstone discolor?
A: No. Moss, mold and mildew need moisture grow. Ironstone is virtually impervious to water.

Q: I’ve been told my roof cannot support a slate or tile roof. Can I use Ironstone?
A: Probably. Ironstone weighs about 548 lbs. per square (5.48 lbs. /SF). That falls within the “normal” range for a premium product. It’s always best to check with an experienced roofer or an engineer if weight is a concern.

Q: Can any roofer install Ironstone?
A: Yes. We recommend homeowners use local, established roofers. We offer assistance if they have questions.

Q: What about wind?
A: Ironstone has a wind rating of over 200 MPH (see Specifications for details).

Q: What about hail?
A: Class 4 (Highest impact rating) is available. Homeowners may be eligible for significant insurance discounts.

Q: Where can I buy Ironstone?
A: Give us a call at 210-878-0080. We’ll be glad to coordinate with a dealer in your area.