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**The use of a boom truck** to lift the roofing supplies onto the roof will save you the laborious task of carrying the shingles onto your roof.

## Loading Your Roof

Nothing can take the enjoyment out of a roofing project faster than having to carry the roofing materials up a ladder onto the roof. Typical bundles of asphalt shingles weigh between 65 and 75 pounds, and you could need as many as 50 bundles. That's a lot of work, and then you'll need to find the energy to shingle the roof!

Fortunately, you can eliminate this backbreaking chore. For a minimal fee, most roofing suppliers will deliver the shingles directly onto the roof using a boom truck. If the supplier doesn't provide this service, you can rent a mechanical hoist from a rental supply store and transport the shingles yourself without carrying them.

Even when shingles are delivered to the roof, you'll still need to unload and stack them. To keep the materials from getting in your way as you work, stack the bundles near the peak. Make several stacks along the ridge to distribute the weight and make them easier to access when working.

Have the shingles delivered when you're ready to start the installation. You don't want the shingles sitting on top of your roof for weeks before the installation begins.



## Tips for Loading a Roof



**Unload the roofing materials** from the hoist. Place the first bundle flat on the roof, then set the next bundles partially on the underlying bundle, and partially on the roof.



**Stack bundles of shingles** on various locations across the roof so they can be easily accessed during installation.



**Place roofing materials** at a point where two roofs intersect. This helps support the shingles and keeps them from falling off the roof.



**Make several stacks** of shingles near the peak to disperse the weight.