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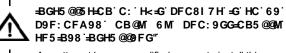


# INSTALLATION GUIDE



Thank you for choosing the Fastensol solar panel roof mounting system. Made from custom-designed aluminium extrusions and components, Fastensol's streamlined design and improved frame strength greatly simplify solar panel installation.

Offering a high level of adjustability for module width and depth Fastensol's versatile design makes it suitable for a wide variety of building types and zones including residential, commercial and remote environments. Fastensol is backed by a 12-year warranty and is compliant with the MCS certification.



Any attempt by an unqualified person to install this product could result in death or serious injury.

# Part I. SAFETY AND INSTALLER RESPONSIBILITIES

#### Handling and Installing Fastensol

It is critically important that safety practices are observed when installing

- ✓ Do not throw or roughly handle any Fastensol components.
- ✓ Do not bring Fastensol system into contact with sharp or heavy objects.
- ✓ Do not modify Fasten solar components in any way. The exchange of bolts, drilling of holes, bending or any other physical changes not described in standard installation procedure will void the warranty.
- ✓ It is the installer's responsibility to verify the integrity of the structure to which Fastensol components is fixed. Roofs or structures with rotten/rusted bearers, undersized bearers, excessively spaced bearers, or any other unsuitable substructure cannot be used with Fastensol components, and installation on such structures will void the warranty, and could result in death or serious injury.



# Part II. TOOLS REQUIRED FOR INSTALLATION

HIVUF' 5"Yb' ? Ym cf' \*' a a ' \ YI U[ cbU' Xf]j Yf' V]h If using a 6 mm driver bit, make sure the cordless power tool used for driving has a hand-tight clutch setting and a fine (soft) impact drive to prevent damage to the fragile glass panels and threads on the framing.

✓ 7 cf X YggXf ]` Drill or impact driver for driving roof material fixings.

For terracotta tile roof installation, and angle grinder fitted with a continuous edge diamond tipped tile cutting blade; gloves, hearing protection, a face protection mask, and a suitably rated breathing protection mask for all people in proximity of grinding

✓ ; `cj Yg Protect the hazard of the sharp corners.

✓ 7 cfX cf Wc cf dYb Mark the installation position;

✓ Gd]f]h`Yj Y

✓ 5 b[`Y'[ f]bXYf

✓ Fi`Y













# Part III. System overview&Components list

## [3.1]System overview



## [3.2]Components list



Standard Rail



Grounding Lug



Rail splice



Mid Clamp



End Clamp



Grounding clip

Bonding Jumper



Rail clamp



## Components list



Pantile roof hook



Pantile roof hook



Pantile Roof Hook



Adjutable Pantile Roof Hook



Pantile Roof Hook



Plain Tile Roof Hook-Portrait



Slate Tile Roof Hook-Portrait



Adjutable Pantile Roof Hook



180° Pantile roof hook



180° Double adjustable

pantile roof hook



180° Double adjustable pantile roof hook



180° Plain roof hook



180°Plain roof hook

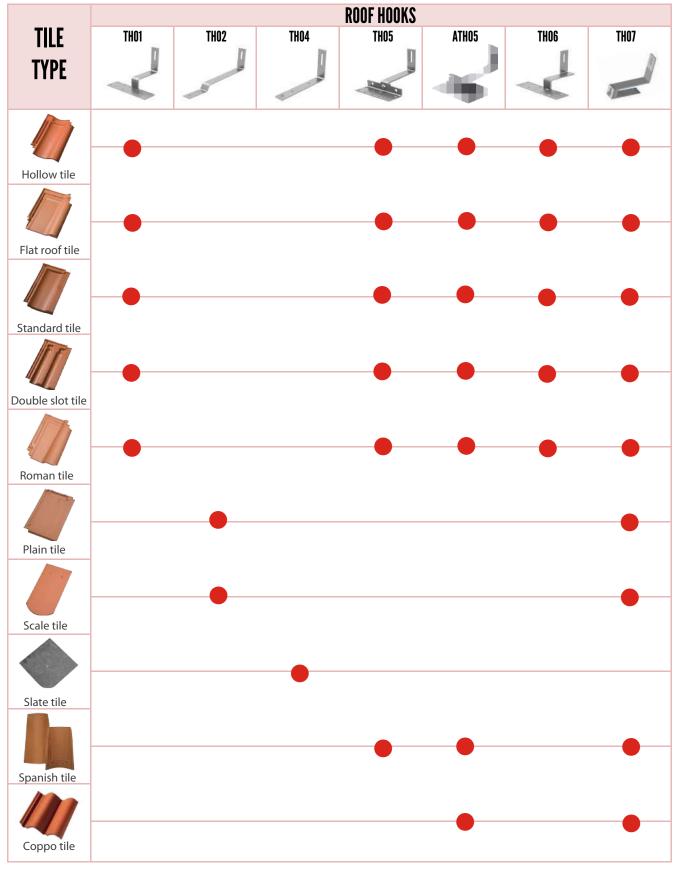


Slate tile roof hook

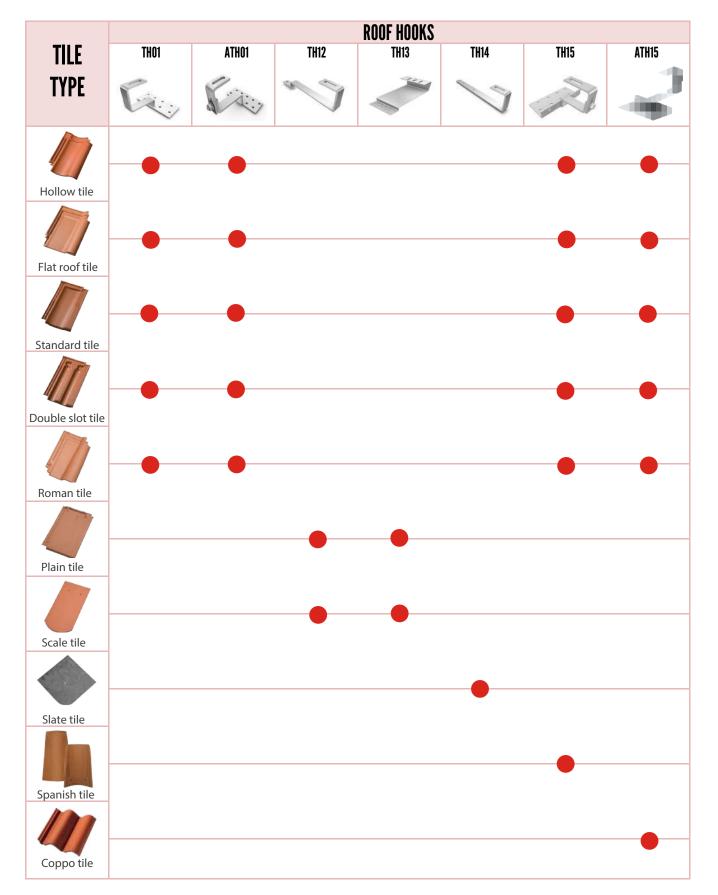


# Part IV. Planning and preparation

## [4.1]Hook selecting







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#### [4.2]Determine the basic wind velocity of your installation site

Before proceeding, please note the following:

- This document addresses wind and snow actions. A combination of dead, wind and snow will produce the maximum action on an installation. These loads are considered to act on the entire projected area.
- Please verify that the installation site has a roof slope of between 0-1 5° and 60°, if not the purchaser should contact Fastensol to obtain engineering data to support the installation.

The following information will be required to enable you to complete the whole installation:

- Building height in metres\*
- Building length in metres\*
- Building width in metres\*
- Building location, Countryside / Town\*
- Site altitude in metres\* AOD
- Roof construction type, monopitch/duopitch / hipped\*
- Roof pitch in degrees from horizontal\*
- Roof area, (see Fig 4)
- Basic wind velocity, (see Fig 1)
- Distance in kilometres (max 100km) from site to nearest show line in prevailing wind direction\*
- Distance in kilometres (max 20km) from site location to edge of urban development in prevailing wind direction\*
- Exposure correction factor C.(z), (see Fig 2)
- Exposure correction factor c., T, (see Fig 3)

#### [4.2.1]Wind action

The wind map below (Fig 1) shows the "fundamental values of basic wind velocity" in m/sec before an altitude correction factor, directional factor, seasonal factor and probability factor has been applied

BS EN 1991-1-4:2005 and the National Annex provide differing values for the directional factor, seasonal factor and probability factor. However, they also allow the use of a conservative value of 1.0 for each of these; which will result in a worst case value being achieved, therefore use :

- Directional factor C<sub>d</sub>= 1.0
- Seasonal factor C<sub>season</sub> = 1.0
- Probabilty factor C<sub>prob</sub> = 1.0

By reference to the wind map the basic wind velocity for Sheffield is interpolated as 22.2m/sec. Therefore the fundamental wind velocity for the two sites are as follows

For buildings with height to eaves less than 10m

 $v_{b} = v_{b,map} \times (1 + 0.001A) \times c_{dir} \times c_{season} \times c_{prob}$ 

Where A in the equation is the altitude of the site in metres AOD.

For buildings with at height to eaves greater than 10m.

$$v_b = v_{b,map} \times \left(1 + 0.001A \times (10/z)^{0.2}\right) \times c_{dir} \times c_{season} \times c_{prob}$$



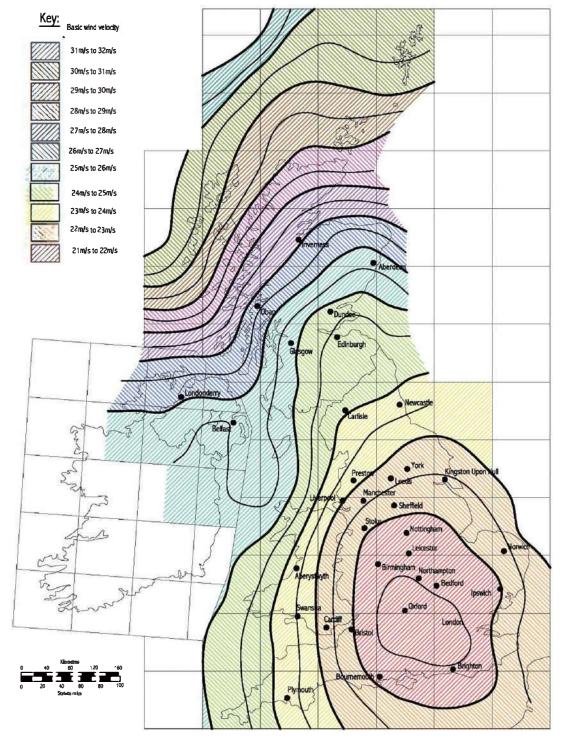


Fig 1. Value of fundamental basic wind velocity map,  $v_{b,map}$ 



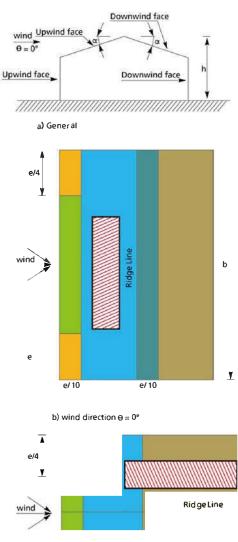
#### [4.2.2] Determine the wind action onto the roof of your installation

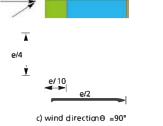
The wind load onto the roof can be derived by multiplying the peak velocity pressure by an external pressure coefficient. This value is dependent on the type of roof construction and the degree of pitch for the roof. The types of roof construction considered in this document are monopitch, duopitch with a positive angle only and hipped which will cover the majority of roofs.

From Fig 4 we can see that area H is to be used. This uses an external pressure coefficient ( $C_{pe}$  suction) of -0.2 and ( $C_{pe}$  pressure) of 0.4 with internal pressure coefficients of ( $C_{pi}$  suction) of 0.2 and ( $C_{pi}$  pressure) of -0.3

$$W_{kv} = q_p \times (C_{pe} - C_{pi})$$

- Wind action,  $W_{kv \ suction} = 0.53x(-0.2-0.2) = -0.21 kN/m^2$
- Wind action, W<sub>kv pressure</sub> = 0.53x(0.4- -0.3) = 0.37kN/m<sup>2</sup>
- Wind action,  $W_{kv \ suction} = 0.91x(-0.2-0.2) = -0.36kN/m^2$
- Wind action, Wkv pressure = 0.91x(0.4--0.3) = 0.64kN/m<sup>2</sup>



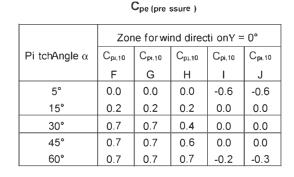




Notes: e b=or 2h (whichever is the smaller) b = crosswind dimension

#### Cpe (suction)

	Zone for wind directi onY = 0°				
Pi tchAngle $\alpha$	C <sub>pi,10</sub>	C <sub>pi,10</sub>	C <sub>p1,10</sub>	С <sub>рі,10</sub>	C <sub>pi.10</sub>
	F	G	Н	I	J
5°	<b>-</b> 1.7	-1.2	-0.6	-0.6	<b>-</b> 0.6
15°	-0.9	-0.8	-0.3	-0.4	-1.0
30°	-0.5	-0.5	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5
45°	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0	-0.2	-0.3
60°	+0.7	+0.7	+0.7	-0.2	-0.3





b

Denotes PV modules in relation to the wind direction

u

Fig 4. Wind area location and external pressure coefficients for duopitch roofs



## [4.3]Determine the basic Snow velocity of your installation site

## [4.3.1]Snow Action

The snow map below (Fig 5) shows the characteristic ground snow action zones and is used along with the site altitude to determine the characteristic value of ground snow loading for the installation site

$$s_k = \left[ 0.15 + \left( 0.1Z + 0.05 \right) \right] + \left( \frac{A - 100}{525} \right)$$

Where A in the equation is the site altitude in metres AOD and Z is the snow zone number from the map.

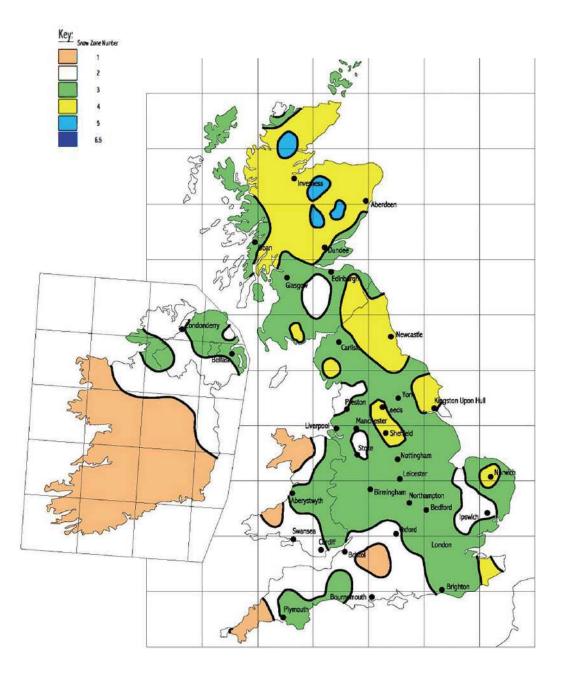


Fig 5. Snow zone locations.



#### [4.3.2]Determine characteristic snow load on roof for your installation site

This document recognises that snow can be deposited on a roof in many different patterns and that there are several other factors which contribute to the different patterns being caused.

This document assumes that the persistent/transient design situation will govern and that the drifted snow load shape coefficient  $\mu_1$  is equal to:

- Angle of roof pitch  $0^{\circ}$  to  $15^{\circ} = 0.8$
- Angle of roof pitch 15° to 30° = 0.8 + 0.4(a- 15)/ 15
- Angle of roof pitch  $30^{\circ}$  to  $60^{\circ} = 1.2(60 a)/30$

Whereain the equation is the pitch of the roof in degrees

Therefore the vertical and horizontal roof snow action for both buildings is equal to:

 $s_{k,\nu} = \mu_1 \times c_e \times c_t \times s_k \times \cos\alpha$  $s_{k,h} = \mu_1 \times c_e \times c_t \times s_k \times \sin\alpha$ 

This document has assumed the following values for :

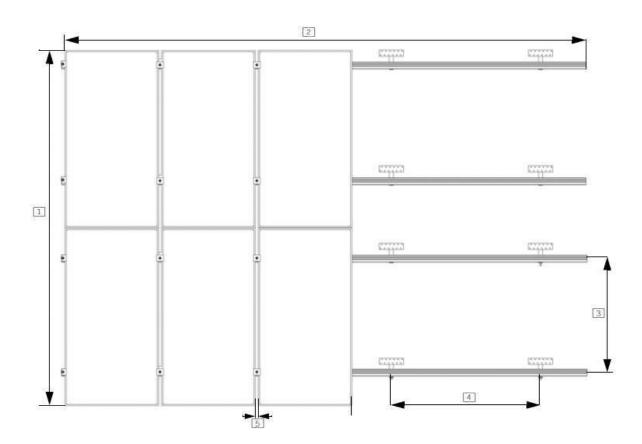
- Exposure coefficient, Ce= 1.0
- Thermal coefficient, Ct= 1.0



# Part V. Installation

#### [5.1]Designing the module field

According to the specification of modules, calculate the length of rails, distance and span between two hooks. Details and drawings is as below:



- 1. Height of the module field: module height x number of modules vertically
- 2. Width of the module field: number of modules horizontally x (width of the module + 18 mm)+50 mm
- 3. Distance between roof connections vertically (according to the clamping points pre-defined by the module producer): Quarter-points of the modules, about 1/2 of module height.
- 4. Distance between roof connections horizontally: Depending on the distance between rafters and on the static requirements .
- 5. Distance between modules: 18 mm

When positioning the modules, please take into consideration

- That the values above are
- That dimensions of tiles or other roof covering and the position of the rafters define the precise actual horizontal distance between roof connections
- That the distance between roof laths defines the precise actual vertical distance between roof connections.



#### [5.2.1]Pantile roof hook-Portrait

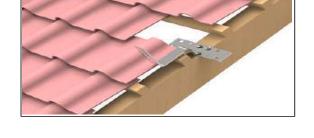
Determine the positions of the Roof Hooks according to your plans. Remove the roof tiles at the marked positions or simply lift them up slightly. Input the roof hook to the wooden beam. Fix the roof hooks with 3pcs wood screws (st6.3x80).

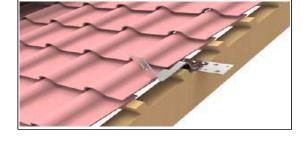
#### Note: Minimum 2 pcs wooden screws

Cover the hooks by the removed tile

If necessary, use an angle grinder or hammer to cut a concavity in the tile that covers the roof hook at the point where the roof hook comes through.(Caution! Must not use fixed roof hook as a ladder, as this extreme point load could damage the tile below.











#### [5.2.2]Pantile roof hook-Landscape

Determine the positions of the Roof Hooks around installation area according to your plans. Remove the roof tiles at the marked positions or simply lift them up slightly. Input the roof hook to the wooden beam. Fix the roof hooks with 3pcs wood screws (st6.3x80).

#### Note: Minimum 2 pcs wooden screws

Cover the hooks by the removed tile

If necessary, use an angle grinder or hammer to cut a concavity in the tile that covers the roof hook at the point where the roof hook comes through.(Caution! Must not use fixed roof hook as a ladder, as this extreme point load could damage the tile below.











#### [5.2.3]Adjustable pantile roof hook

Determine the positions of the Roof Hooks according to your plans. Remove the roof tiles at the marked positions or simply lift them up slightly.



Locate and mark rafters, adjust arm-base bolts position as needed. Drill 3 pilot holes and Input the roof hook to the wooden beam. Fix the roof hooks with 3pcs wood screws (st6.3x80).

Note: Minimum 2 pcs wooden screws

Replace the hooks by the removed tiles

If necessary, use an angle grinder or hammer to cut a concavity in the tile that covers the roof hook at the point where the roof hook comes through.(Caution! Must not use fixed roof hook as a ladder, as this extreme point load could damage the tile below.







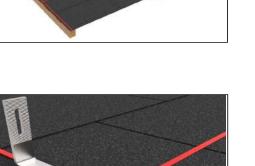
#### [5.2.4] Slate tile roof hook

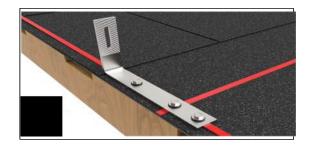
According to the site construction drawings, determine the positions of the Roof Hooks and draw a line at the installation position.

Input the roof hook to the marked position on the main beam. Fix the roof hooks with 3pcs wood screws (st6.3x80).

Note: Minimum 2 pcs wooden screws

If necessary, use an angle grinder or hammer to cut a concavity in the tile that covers the roof hook at the point where the roof hook comes through.(Caution! Must not use fixed roof hook as a ladder, as this extreme point load could damage the tile below.



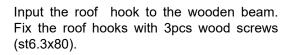






#### [5.2.5] Plain tile roof hook

Determine the positions of the Roof Hooks according to your plans. Remove the roof tiles at the marked positions or simply lift them up slightly.



Note: Minimum 2 pcs wooden screws

Cover the hooks by the removed tile

If necessary, use an angle grinder or hammer to cut a concavity in the tile that covers the roof hook at the point where the roof hook comes through.(Caution! Must not use fixed roof hook as a ladder, as this extreme point load could damage the tile below.











#### [5.2.6] Pantile roof hook

Determine the positions of the Roof Hooks according to your plans. Remove the roof tiles at the marked positions or simply lift them up slightly.



Input the roof hook to the wooden beam. Fix the roof hooks with 3pcs wood screws (st6.3x80).

Note: Minimum 2 pcs wooden screws

Cover the hooks by the removed tile

If necessary, use an angle grinder or hammer to cut a concavity in the tile that covers the roof hook at the point where the roof hook comes through.(Caution! Must not use fixed roof hook as a ladder, as this extreme point load could damage the tile below.









#### [5.3] Rail installation

Fix the rail to hook by inserting the T bolt into the rail channel, and then fasten the flange nut. The rail can be adjusted vertically within the roof attachment slot when bolts are loosely fastened.

Installation of the splice to connect multiple rails together. Slide the splices on the rear side of the pre-assembled rails halfway to the side. Fasten the first M8 bolt firmly using the Allen key. Now slide the next rail segment into the splice. Tighten the second M8 bolt .The connection is finished.

#### [5.4] Mid Clamp&End Clamp Installation

#### Step 1. Installing the End Clamp

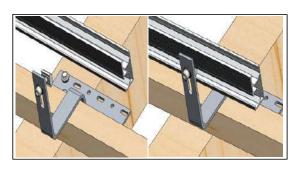
Insert T bolt of the end clamp into the rail channel. Using a 10 mm hex driver, secure the first solar panel to the railing starting as close to the end of the row as possible. A minimum of 50 mm between the end of the rail and edge of the first solar panel is required (recommended torque is 15-20Nm).

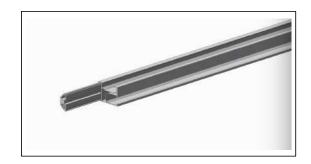
#### Step 2. Installing the Mid Clamp

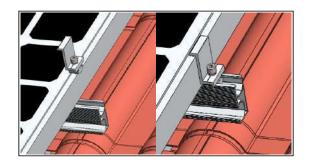
Insert the T-clip of the mid clamp into the rail channel and position the clamp against the first panel frame. Hand-tighten the screw 2-3 turns to loosely hold the clamp in position. Ensure the EarthLock washer is placed between the rail and the frame of the panel. (pls refer to the chapter [5.6] if you have any questions about the grounding installation).

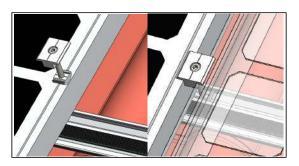
#### [5.5] Module Installation

Repeat doing last step till finish installing all the panels. Check the whole system and re-fix all outer screws after finish installing the panels.







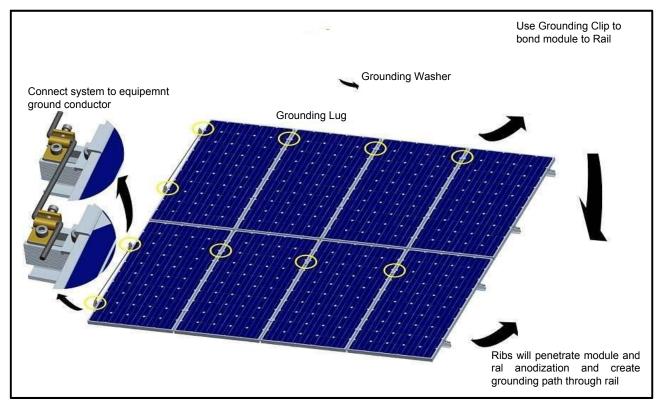




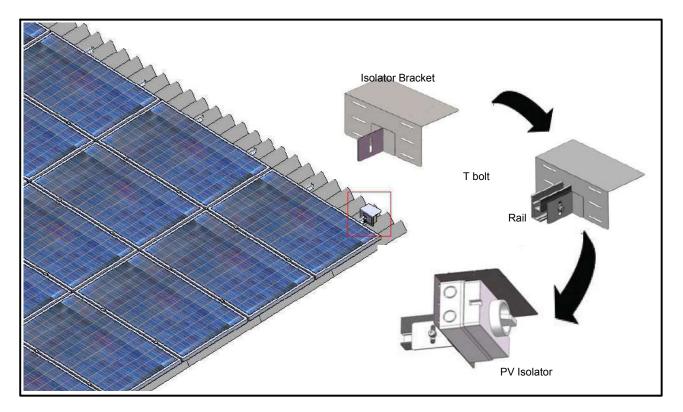


## [5.6] Accessory Installation

Step1. Grounding lug&grounding clip



Step2. Installing Isolator Bracket





# Part VI. OTHERS

## WARRANTY 12 years limited Product Warranty, 5 years limited Finish Warrant

Fastensol co. Ltd warrants to the original purchaser ("Purchaser") of product(s) that it manufactures ("Product") at the original installation site that the Product shall be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of twelve (12) years, except for the anodised finish, which finish shall be free from visible peeling, or cracking or under chalking normal atmospheric conditions for a period of five (5) years, from the earlier of 1) the date the installation of the Product is completed, or 2) 30 days after the purchase of the Product by the original Purchaser ("Finish Warranty").

The Finish Warranty does not apply to any foreign residue deposited on the finish. All installations in corrosive atmospheric conditions are excluded. The Finish Warranty is VOID if the practices specified by AAMA 609 & 610-02 - "Cleaning and Maintenance for Architecturally Finished Aluminum" (www.aamanet.org) are not followed by Purchaser. This Warranty does not cover damage to the Product that occurs during its shipment, storage, or installation.

This Warranty shall be VOID if installation of the Product is not performed in accordance with Fastensol's written installation instructions, or if the Product has been modified, repaired, or reworked in a manner not previously authorized by Fastensol IN YEARS VEARS ENERGY Warranty

WRITING, or if the Product is installed in an environment for which it 'was not designed. Fastensol shall not be liable for consequential, contingent or incidental damages arising out of the use of the Product by Purchaser under any circumstances.

If within the specified Warranty periods the Product shall be reasonably proven to be defective, then Fastensol shall repair or replace the defective Product, or any part thereof, in Fastensol's sole discretion. Such repair or replacement shall completely satisfy and discharge all of Fastensol's liability with respect limited Warranty. Under no to this circumstances shall Fastensol be liable for special, indirect or consequential damages arising out of or related to use by Purchaser of the Product.

Manufacturers of related items, such as PV modules and flashings, may provide written warranties of their own. Fastensol's limited Warranty covers only its Product, and not any related items.



## **CONSUMER GUARANTEES**

In addition to our Warranty against Defects, the Frame also comes with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the United Kindom Consumer Law (**Consumer Guarantees**).

In the event that the Frame fails to satisfy a Consumer Guarantee, you are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the Frame repaired or replaced if the Frame fails to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure.

Please note that in addition to the rights and remedies set out in this document, you may also have other rights and remedies available to you under the law.

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