



# SKYLIGHT TUBE Installation and Mounting Guide Radiant Flexible Tube Kit

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Spare parts, installation advice, or recommendations for professional installers in your area are only a phone call away. Professional installation may be much less than you expect, please call us to get average rates for your area.

Please note that this product is designed for asphalt shingles. If you have spanish tile, s-tile, concrete, metal or flat roof, please call us before attempting to install the product.

Before beginning the installation of your new SkylightTube, please read through the entire installation instructions and call us if you have any questions.

## TOOLS REQUIRED

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| • Ladder   | • ASTM D 4586 Type 1 Asphalt Roofing Cement |
| • Reciprocating saw or jig saw   | • Measuring tape or ruler                   |
| • Power drill with a 1/2" – 1" inch drill bit<br>(only one needed)       | • Pencil or chalk                           |
| • 1 – 2" deck screw and screw bit  | • Roofing knife or box cutter               |
| • Hammer & roofing nails or self tapping<br>galvanized screws (included) | • Flat pry bar                              |
| • Tin snips or wire cutters  | • Sheetrock saw                             |
|  | • Adjustable Wrench or Pliers               |
|  | • Phillips Screwdriver or Drill Bit         |

### When deciding on a location for the Radiant SkylightTube, it is important to:

- Make sure you are locating the final position centered between two ceiling joists. If your ceiling joist spacing is less than the recommended spacing, refer to your local building code prior to cutting a rafter or ceiling joist.
- Before beginning the installation, make sure there are no obstructions in the attic space and on the roof where you would like to install the the Skylight Tube.
- Confirm the greatest distance between the ceiling hole location and the roof dome location is no more than 5½ ft. If the distance is greater than 5½ ft., contact U.S. Sunlight directly at 1-877-50-USSUN.



**ATTENTION:** Please consult a professional installer if you are unsure of where to locate your SkylightTube or if you do not feel comfortable with the installation process.

## Step 1 - Location of the diffuser

Determine where you wish to install the SkylightTube (**fig. 1**) and from inside the attic, clear out the insulation in the desired location, center a nail or piece of wire between the ceiling joists and through the drywall so it is visible from the ceiling below. (**fig. 2**) If using wire, put a 90 degree bend in the wire so it won't drop through. (**fig. 3**) **Alternately, you can drive a nail up into the ceiling where you wish to locate the ceiling lens and find the location in the attic. Then find the closest center between rafters.**



fig. 1



Inside attic **fig. 2**



**fig. 3**

## Step 2 - Cutting out the ceiling hole

Use the included template (included in the Ceiling Parts Box) for marking the ceiling hole; or simply use the ceiling frame as a template and draw the hole to be cut.

Begin cutting the circle with a drywall saw (**fig. 4**) as you get to the end of the cut, hold on to the wire or nail to brace the material for removal. (**fig. 5**)



fig. 4



fig. 5

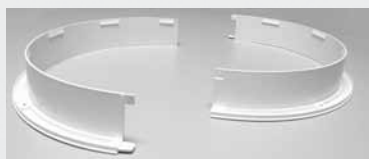


fig. 6

## Step 3 - Preparing and Installing the Ceiling Frame

Take the two halves of the ceiling lens (**fig. 6**) and slide the connectors in place on both ends of each ring (**fig. 7a and 7b**). Insert the Ceiling Frame and attach with the included 2" Ceiling Frame Screws and plastic lugs. The plastic lugs are placed on the top side of the ceiling. Fasten the screws through the holes in the ceiling frame, the ceiling and into the white plastic lugs and tighten. (**fig. 8a and 8b**)

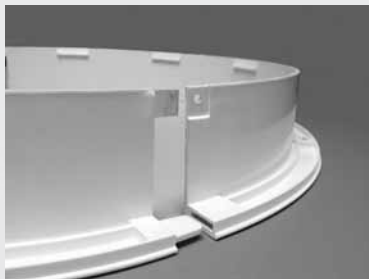


fig. 7a



fig. 7b



fig. 8a

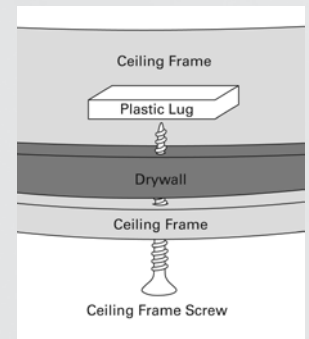


fig. 8b

## Step 5 - Cutting the roof opening

From inside the attic, locate the desired position for the flashing and dome opening. Generally, directly above the ceiling opening is optimal but this position can vary depending on your particular attic conditions - keep bends to a minimum and do not bend more than a 45° angle. Start by measuring the distance between the 2 rafters and mark the center location. (**fig. 9**) You should have a minimum distance between them to allow for a 14.5" hole to be cut. Drive the 2" deck screw through so that it shows on the outside roof surface. (**fig. 10 and 11**)



fig. 9

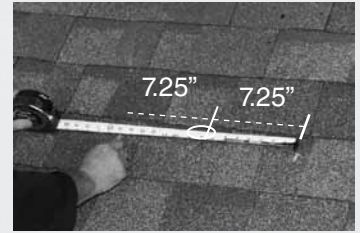


fig. 10



fig. 11

From on the roof, measure 7.25" (**fig. 12**) repeat this at 90 and 45 degree angles to achieve a circular pattern (or use provided template as in Step 2). Then draw in the pattern with chalk. (**fig. 13**) Using a 1/2" drill bit, drill a pilot hole on the edge of the circle to fit the saw blade for cutting. (**fig. 14**) Start cutting the circle with a reciprocating saw, as you reach the end of the cut secure the material by holding onto the exposed screw so it won't fall into the attic space (**fig. 15**) Remove the disk of material and discard (**fig. 16**)



**fig. 12**



**fig. 13**



**fig. 14**



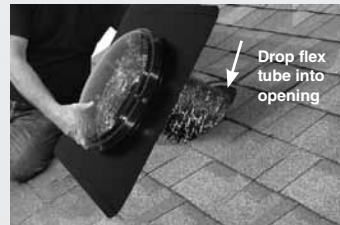
**fig. 15**



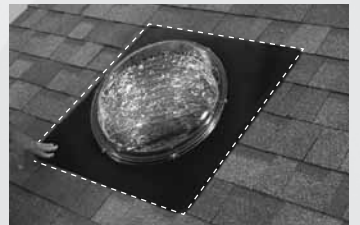
**fig. 16**

## Step 6 - Dome Installation Preparation

Drop the flex tube into the roof opening (**fig. 17**) then set the flashing assembly into position and make a note of the outer footprint or mark with chalk. (**fig. 18**)



**fig. 17**



**fig. 18**

## Step 7 - Remove the surrounding shingles

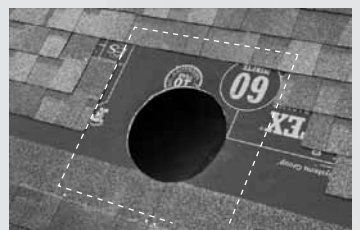
Once you know the outline of the flashing, remove the surrounding shingles with a pry bar. (**fig. 19**) Composition asphalt shingles can be installed in various sizes depending on your roof configuration so it is recommended that you remove the entire piece as you find it in the footprint of the Skylight Tube flashing (**fig. 20**) Make sure you remove enough shingles to allow the upper 2/3rds of the flashing to make direct contact with the sheathing and roof underlayment (**fig. 21**) Save all of the pieces you remove for re-installation later.



**fig. 19**



**fig. 20**



**fig. 21**



## Step 8 - Install the flashing assembly

When you are ready to install the flashing assembly, first apply a bead of asphalt roofing cement to the underside of the flashing base. **(fig. 22)** Re-install the flex tube into the roof opening and carefully place the top of the flashing underneath the top-most row of shingles. **(fig. 23)** Line up the bottom of the flashing with the shingle line and drive a screw into the center hole on the bottom as shown in **(fig. 24)** This will allow you to fine tune the angle if necessary. Use standard 1.5" roofing nails or screws (not included) to secure the flashing in place **(fig. 25)** There are 7 positions as shown in **(fig. 26)**

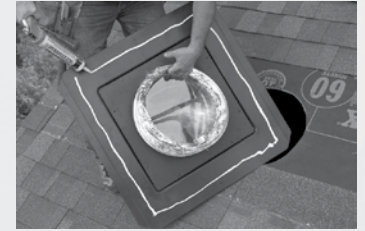


fig. 22



fig. 23



fig. 24



fig. 25

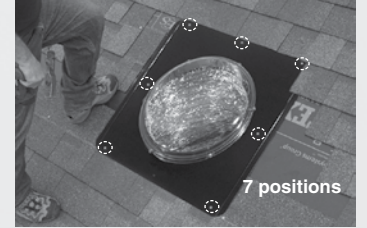


fig. 26

## Step 9 - Replace the shingles

Use a framing square to cut the replacement shingles to size. **(fig. 27)** Generally, you will want to reinstall each row so that they overlap the flashing up to 5 1/2 inches from the outer edge of the flashing as shown in **(fig. 28)** Trim excess material from shingles so they can fit around with the same 5 1/2 inch overlay. **(fig. 29)** Use roofing nails and asphalt roofing cement to re-attach the shingles. For ideal fit and finish, we recommend covering the flashing with shingles leaving only the bottom center area of the flashing exposed as shown. **(fig. 30)**



fig. 27

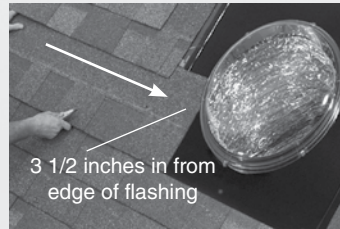


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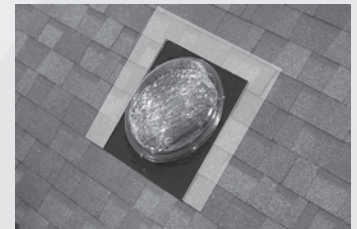


fig. 30

## Step 10 - Secure the flex tube to the ceiling frame

Reach through the ceiling frame and pull the flex tube through the ceiling frame and into the room. Continue pulling until it is tight, the wires will lock onto the lip at the top of the ceiling frame. Cut the flex tube off level with the bottom of the ceiling frame. **(fig. 31)**

Fit the white plastic flex tube locking ring into position with the provided countersunk screws. Start at one end and work your way around the locking ring. Be sure to line up the recesses in the flex tube locking ring with the recesses in the ceiling frame to ensure the flex tube and locking ring are not overhanging the ceiling frame lip. **(fig. 32)**

Snap the ceiling lens onto the ceiling frame. **(fig. 33)**



fig. 31



fig. 32

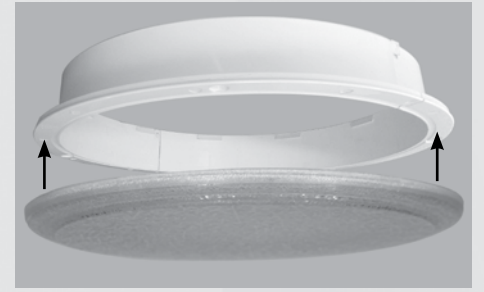


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## SKYLIGHT TUBE

### Parts List

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#### 1. Roof Parts

- Metal Flashing
- Clear Acrylic Dome

#### Roof Dome



#### Flexible Tube

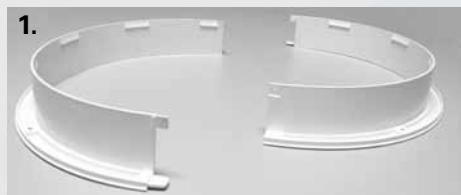
- 72" Flexible Tube pre-attached to Roof dome



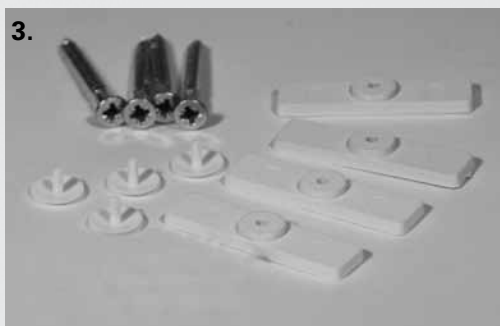
#### 3. Ceiling Parts

1. Ceiling Frame
2. Ceiling Lens
3. Included Hardware
  - A. Ceiling Frame Screws
  - B. Plastic Lugs
  - C. Screw Caps

#### Ceiling Lens



#### Included Hardware





# WARRANTY

## Manufacturer's Limited Warranty

Manufacturer warrants that certain of its product components are free from defects of workmanship and/or materials for a period of time commencing on the date of original purchase and continuing as noted hereafter: (a) roof flashing for a period of ten (10) years (b) flexible tubing for a period of ten (10) years (c) ceiling lens diffuser house for a period of ten (10) years.

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Purchased From \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Installer \_\_\_\_\_ (self )

Phone # of Installer \_\_\_\_\_ How satisfied are you with the install? Not Satisfied  Somewhat  Very

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