Q.MOUNT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS CORRUGATED SHEET METAL BRIDGE HORIZONTAL/VERTICAL





SAFETY INFORMATION

Please carefully read the safety information contained in these installation instructions before starting the installation. Ensure that you are using the current installation instructions before starting the installation.

The design and planning of the mounting system should be carried out using the Q CELLS ROOFTOP PLANNER software. Please refer to the project report you receive from Q CELLS ROOFTOP PLANNER or from your Q CELLS Q.PARTNER for details of the required materials, positions and the arrangement of the individual components. This data is statically calculated and is of great importance for the safe and proper functioning of the system.

Before installation, the manufacturer of the photovoltaic system must ensure that the given roof substructure is designed for the additional loads that will occur. To check this, contact structural engineers directly on site. Each photovoltaic system must be installed in accordance with the structural requirements of the location and the installation situation, taking into account the specifications of the existing installation recommendation.

These installation instructions explain the installation procedures for the Q.MOUNT corrugated sheet metal bridges, their attachment to the roof substructure and the installation of the girder profiles and modules.

The corrugated sheet metal bridges must always be fixed to the stable roof substructure.

Normally, the PV modules are mounted in portrait format so that the mounting profiles are parallel to the ridge. Two mounting profiles per module row are used as standard. In strong wind and/or snow loads, a third mounting profile may have to be used.

The Q.MOUNT corrugated sheet metal bridge system is exclusively designed for PV modules. Any other use is considered improper.

The installation may only be carried out by trained specialists. In particular, work on the roofing should be carried out by a roofer.

If you have any further questions, take advantage of the professional and comprehensive consulting service offered by Q CELLS. Our expert civil engineers and construction technicians will be pleased to help you.

SAFETY AND WARNING INFORMATION



You should follow these instructions exactly for all work on the PV system. Installation, commissioning, maintenance and repair may only be carried out by appropriately qualified and authorised personnel.

Please observe the valid regulations and safety instructions.

You must comply with these accident prevention regulations:

- BGV A 1 General regulations
- BGV A 3 Electrical installations and equipment
- BGV C 22 Construction work (personal protective equipment against falls from a height)
- BGV D 36 Ladders and steps
- Employer's liability insurance association rules for safety and health at work BGR 203 (roof work) and DIN EN 516 Equipment for walking on roofs
- Work clothing and work safety regulations in accordance with the regulations of the professional association

You must comply with the following DIN standards:

- DIN 18299 General regulations for construction works of any kind
- DIN 18338 Roofing and roof sealing works
- DIN 18360 Metal construction work, locksmith work
- DIN 4102 Fire behaviour of building materials and components



Work on the systems may only be carried out by authorised personnel. The operator of the system has the following safety-related obligations:

We assume that at least once a year an inspection and maintenance of the installed pitched roof system components and the roof cladding is carried out. At least the following points should be checked:

- all mechanical connections for correct fit and strength
- the position of the system on the roof and the system itself with regard to deformations
- the cabling must be checked for integrity
- the PV modules must be checked for damage
- The assembly of the frame may only be carried out by personnel with appropriate qualifications, manual skills and basic knowledge of mechanics.
- It must be ensured that the assigned personnel are able to assess the work assigned to them and identify possible hazards.
- The installation instructions are part of the product and must be available during assembly.
- It must be ensured that the installation instructions and in particular the safety instructions are read and understood by the assigned personnel prior to assembly.
- The regulations of the employer's liability insurance association, the local industrial safety regulations and the rules of technology must be observed.
- Suitable lifting equipment and ladders must be used for the installation. No lean-to ladders may be used.
- It is necessary to have the existing building statics checked by a competent civil engineer with regard to the additional loads from a PV system.



• Possible general load limitations imposed by Hanwha Q CELLS GmbH (e.g. the necessity of snow removal to limit the snow load) must be taken into account.



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WARRANTY AND NOTES

WARRANTY/PRODUCT LIABILITY (EXCLUSION)



The dimensioning notes contained in this manual are merely practical tips. Binding assembly rack statics can be created using the program Q CELLS ROOFTOP PLANNER.

As an installation company, you are responsible for the correct execution of the installation. Hanwha Q CELLS GmbH is not liable for the dimensioning information contained in commercial plant quotations.



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As an installation company, you are responsible for the mechanical durability of the mounted interface connections on the building envelope, and especially for their tightness. The components supplied by Hanwha Q CELLS GmbH are designed for this purpose in accordance with the expected loads and the current state of the art. In this context, you must specify all general technical conditions in writing in the project registration form (details of the supporting structure, snow load zone, building heights, wind loads, etc.) within the framework of the inquiry/order sent to Hanwha Q CELLS GmbH.

Hanwha Q CELLS GmbH is not liable for improper handling of the installed parts.

Use of the components near the sea is not permitted due to the risk of corrosion.

If handled properly and dimensioned in accordance with the static framework conditions and normal environmental and ambient conditions, Hanwha Q CELLS GmbH provides a 2-year product warranty for the service life and durability of its mounting systems. This applies in the context of the generally prevailing weather and environmental conditions.

Material and processing warranty: Hanwha Q CELLS GmbH provides a material and processing warranty of 10 years for the materials used. For more detailed information, please refer to the separate warranty conditions.



NOTES ON ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

You may only carry out electrical work if you are a gualified electrician. The applicable DIN standards, VDE regulations, VDEW guidelines, VDN guidelines, accident prevention regulations and the regulations of the local electricity supply companies (EVU) are decisive in this context.

- DIN VDE 0100 (Erection of power installations with nominal voltages up to 1000 V)
- VDEW guideline for the parallel operation of in-house generation plants on the lowvoltage grid of the power supply company
- VDI 6012 Guideline for decentralised energy systems in buildings: Photovoltaics
- Leaflet on the VDEW Guideline "Distributed power generating plants connected to the low-voltage grid"
- VDN guideline "Distributed power generating plants connected to the low-voltage grid"
- DIN/VDE regulations, DIN/VDE 0100 "Erection of power installations with rated voltages up to 1000 V", in particular VDE 0100 Part 410 "Protection against direct and indirect contact" (DC voltages > 120 V, < 1000 V DC) and the "Accident prevention regulations of the industrial employers' liability insurance associations" VBG4 "Electrical installations and operating equipment"
- DIN VDE 0100-540 Selection and installation Earthing, protective conductors and equipotential bonding conductors
- VDE 0185 Establishment of a lightning protection system and VDS 2010

IMPORTANT WARNINGS



Solar modules generate electricity as soon as they are exposed to light, so they are always live. Although the fully insulated plug contacts provide protection against accidental contact, you must pay attention to the following when handling the solar modules:

- Do not insert electrically conductive parts into the plugs and sockets.
- Do not mount solar modules and cables with wet plugs and sockets.



- Perform all work on the lines with extreme caution.
- Do not carry out any electrical installation work in damp conditions.
- Even with low illumination, very high direct voltages are generated at the series connection
 of solar modules, which are life-threatening if touched. Pay particular attention to the
 possibility of secondary damage from electric shock. DIN VDE 0100-540 Selection
 and erection of electrical equipment Earthing arrangements and protective conductors.

High contact voltages can occur in the inverter even when it is disconnected:

- Be especially careful when working on the inverter and the cables.
- After switching off the inverter and carrying out other work, it is essential to observe the time intervals specified by the manufacturer to allow the high-voltage components to discharge.
- Please also observe the installation instructions provided by the inverter manufacturer.



Opening a closed string (e.g. when disconnecting the DC line from the inverter under load) can cause a lethal electric arc:

Never disconnect the solar generator from the inverter while it is connected to the grid.

NOTES ON RACK INSTALLATION



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For installation in the roof area, you must observe the currently valid rules of construction engineering, in particular the requirements formulated in the DIN standards and in the regulations of the German roofing trade ("Regelwerk des Deutschen Dachdeckerhandwerks").

- Check that all screw connections are tight.
- Observe the specified torques.
- Irrespective of verifiable statics, you must ensure in advance of each installation that the product meets the static requirements on site in accordance with DIN EN 1991.
- DIN standard EN 1991 "Actions on structures" and all related national application documents Part 1-1: Weights, dead weight and payloads in building construction Part 1-3: Snow loads Part 1-4: Wind loads

- DIN standard EN 1990: "Basis of structural design" and all related national application documents.
- The design of the assembly rack is carried out in accordance with DIN EN 1993 "Design of steel structures" and DIN EN 1999 "Design of aluminium structures«.
- Ensure that the substructure is suitable in terms of load-bearing capacity (dimensioning, state of
 preservation, suitable material characteristics), load-bearing structure and other layers affected
 by this (e.g. insulation layer).
- Make sure that the drainage of rainwater is not hindered.
- Take into account aspects of building physics (e.g. possible condensation when penetrating insulation layers).

STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES

All listed standards and guidelines have been issued and are applicable in Germany. They must be taken into account by referring to the latest valid version as amended. Outside Germany, please also observe the relevant national standards and guidelines.

PRODUCT LIABILITY

The technical documentation is part of the product. Hanwha Q CELLS GmbH is not liable for damages resulting from non-observance of the installation instructions, in particular the safety information, and/or from misuse of the products.

REQUIRED TOOLS



ROOF REQUIREMENTS

Roof pitch: 5°–35°

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- Minimum sheet thickness, aluminium: 0.5 mm
- Minimum sheet thickness, steel: 0.4 mm
- Minimum width of the high bead: 22 mm (25 mm recommended)

- Use:
- Module type:
- Module orientation
- Max. module field length:
- Connection:
- Material:
- Surface:

corrugated sheet metal plate framed modules vertical/portrait 12 m thin sheet metal screws aluminium EN AW-6063/stainless steel/EPE plate-finished

General requirements for the installation of corrugated sheet metal components

- The high bead width should be at least 22 mm for all corrugated sheet metal components. The best and simplest installation starts with a high bead width of 25 mm.
- The high bead spacing is only relevant for the selection of the corrugated sheet metal bridge 2.1 S (L = 250 mm) or TBB 2.1 (L = 400 mm).
- The height of the high bead is not relevant for the installation of the corrugated sheet metal components.
- After a maximum module field length of 12 m, thermal separation of the substructure parts must take place.



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- High bead spacing 100–333 mm:
- TBB 2.1 (L = 400 mm)/TBB PLUS (L = 400 mm)
- High bead spacing 100–207 mm:
- TBB 2.1 S (L = 250 mm)



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COMPONENTS



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THIN SHEET METAL SCREWS TO BE USED





CORRUGATED SHEET METAL BRIDGE, VERTICAL MODULE



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Note:

For the clamping ranges and the resulting loads, please refer to the installation instructions for the solar modules being installed.

NOTES ON THE THIN SHEET METAL SCREWS





Screw the corrugated sheet metal bridge with 4 thin sheet metal screws centrally on two high beads. Make sure that the EPDM gaskets under the corrugated sheet metal bridge and under the sealing washer of the thin sheet metal screw are not compressed by more than 50 %. Also ensure that the thin sheet metal screws are screwed in correctly.





Place each screw with the tip in the centre of the hole in the rail base and screw it in slowly. Depending on the material (steel, aluminium) and the thickness of the sheet metal, the screw must be pressed firmly until the tip penetrates. Then immediately reduce the speed and the contact pressure and slowly screw in further until the rail base rests on the roof and resistance occurs.

Screw the corrugated sheet metal bridge with 4 thin sheet metal screws slowly onto the high beads, in a controlled manner and with low torque, so as not to overtighten the screw or destroy the sheet metal. Continue to screw in the screws only until the EPDM sheet under the rail is reduced to approx. 50 % of its original thickness. Further rotations will not increase the strength of the connection, but only the risk of failure.

MEASURE THE HIGH BEAD AND ATTACH THE CORRUGATED SHEET METAL BRIDGE



Measure the high bead spacing Measure the high bead width



If the high bead spacing is 100–333 mm, use the corrugated sheet metal bridge 2.1 L = 400 mm (20004774) or corrugated sheet metal bridge Plus L= 400 mm (20005198) If the high bead spacing is 100–207 mm, use the corrugated sheet metal bridge 2.1 S L = 250 mm (20004786)

Screw the corrugated sheet metal bridge with 4 thin sheet metal screws in the middle and at right angles to two high beads. Make sure that the EPDM gaskets under the corrugated sheet metal bridge and under the sealing washer of the thin sheet metal screw are not compressed by more than 50%. Also ensure that the thin sheet metal screws are screwed in correctly.



Place the next corrugated sheet metal bridge on the following high bead so that the distance x is maintained. The distance x is: module width (1000 mm or 1030 mm) + clamp width (20 mm).

MEASURE THE HIGH BEAD AND ATTACH THE CORRUGATED SHEET METAL BRIDGE



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MOUNTING SOLAR MODULES

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Start in the lowest module row by placing the first solar module on the corrugated sheet metal bridge and aligning it. Place the middle clamp on the module frame and click it into the corrugated sheet metal bridge. Place the next module on the corrugated sheet metal bridge and push it towards the middle clamp.



Click the clamps into the girder profile at a slight angle as shown and push the middle clamp up to the module frame. When the clamp and the second module are in the correct position, tighten the clamp. Tighten the screw on the middle clamp with a torque of **15 Nm**.



Click the terminal clamps into the corrugated sheet metal bridge at a slight angle as shown and push the terminal clamp up to the module frame. When the clamp is in the correct position, tighten the clamp. Tighten the screw on the clamp with a torque of $15 \, \text{Nm}$.

Middle/end clamp





Note: The middle/terminal clamps must be installed at least 20 mm from the end of the corresponding corrugated sheet metal bridge.

THERMAL SEPARATION AND MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS





Please note the maximum module field length of 12 m. Beyond this length, the modules must be thermally separated.





Please note the maximum horizontal module field length of 12 m. Beyond this length, the modules must be thermally separated. If the clamping area of the module and the distance between the high beads allow it, the next corrugated sheet metal bridge can also be attached to the adjacent high beads for the purpose of thermal separation.



Note: For larger systems, create sufficient maintenance aisles in the horizontal direction.

END AND MIDDLE CLAMPS





POTENTIAL EQUALISATION AND CABLE MANAGEMENT



To integrate the modules into the potential equalisation, you can use the end and middle clamp with pin. The pins are located between the clamps and module frames and thus conductively interconnect all module rows in a module field.



Insert a wire clamp into the profile channel of the corrugated sheet metal bridges at the first or last corrugated sheet metal bridges of each module row. Insert the aluminium wire into the wire clamp and fix it by tightening the screw. In this way, all module rows of a module field are conductively interconnected.



To properly secure the module cables to the frame sides, you can use the available cable clips to ensure that the connectors do not touch the roof cladding. Select the position of the cable clips so that the cable plugs do not rest on the water-bearing layer.



To properly attach the module cables either to the frame sides or to the corrugated sheet metal bridges, you can use the available edge clips to ensure that the connectors do not touch the roof cladding. Select the position of the edge clips so that the plugs of the cables do not rest on the water-bearing layer.

POTENTIAL EQUALISATION OPTIONS FOR CORRUGATED SHEET METAL BRIDGE



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CORRUGATED SHEET METAL BRIDGE, HORIZONTAL MODULES



MEASURE THE HIGH BEAD AND ATTACH THE CORRUGATED SHEET METAL BRIDGE

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Note: The middle/terminal clamps must be installed at least 20 mm from the end of the corresponding short rail.



Note: Please refer to the relevant module clamping areas and the associated static loads in the corresponding installation instructions for the solar modules being installed.





Place the next corrugated sheet metal bridge on the following high bead so that the distance y is maintained. The vertical distance between the corrugated sheet metal bridges y is determined by the selected module clamping area (red hatched area) and is: Module width (1000 mm or 1030 mm) – selected clamping area x 2



Position the next corrugated sheet metal bridge analogously to the horizontal and vertical spacing.

Note: Fasten the corrugated sheet metal bridges only in the middle of the high bead on the corrugated sheet metal.

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