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DIY garage roofing is a domestic project that is increasing in popularity across the UK as handy homeowners begin to tackle the traditionally more difficult jobs around the house and garden.

Whether garages are attached to other buildings, or stand-alone structures, the options for DIY roofing are numerous.

Let's take a look at some of the best options available for the DIY market...

Bituminous felt



Felt roofing, also known as tar paper, is perhaps the most common type of roofing material that springs to mind for many homeowners. This type of roofing, although common, is fast-becoming outdated in the modern construction industry due to its relatively short lifespan

expectancy compared to the latest roofing materials. Felt roofing can also be difficult to install properly using hot bitumen, and if simply nailed or mechanically-fixed to garage roofing, it becomes unreliable and likely to let water in.

Felt is cheap to buy initially, yet the cost over the long-term can be significantly higher than the modern alternatives.

EPDM rubber membrane

EPDM is one of the roofing industry's go-to materials for trade garage roofing professionals and has been cited by many as the sustainable answer to failed felt roofing.

EPDM rubber is ideal for DIY garage roofing as it can be cold applied to flat roofs using water-based adhesives and just a few tools.



As long as the roof deck is sound and damage-free, EPDM can be applied over existing roof coverings and maintains 100% waterproofing over its expected lifespan of 50 years+.



Permaroof garage roof kits have contributed significantly to the rise in popularity of using EPDM for DIY roofing. Buying a standard-sized EPDM garage roof kit takes away the additional worry of overbuying materials and reduces the need to produce accurate measurements. Many UK garages are standard sizes, and this makes buying kits easy and economical.

More about EPDM garage roof systems at:

<http://www.permarroof.co.uk/flat-roofs>

Liquid waterproofing



Another excellent product for DIY garage roofing has to be the Permaroof500 liquid EPDM waterproofing system. This relatively new product in the domestic market can be applied using rollers and ordinary paintbrushes and will cover

a wide range of existing roof materials.

Also EPDM-based, liquid waterproofing offers 100% coverage and can also be used to perform DIY emergency roof repairs. Liquid EPDM has an added self-levelling compound that simplifies application and avoids overworking the product. While top coat UV layering is carried out, and while still wet, additional mediums can be added for aesthetic value or for a non-slip coating if the roof deck is used for additional garden space.

Find out more about liquid EPDM waterproofing systems at:

<http://www.diy-flat-roof.com/flat-rubber-roofing-installation-guides/liquid-waterproofing-systems/>



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Training courses are available for DIY garage roofing in both EPDM sheet membrane and liquid rubber roofing.

Find out more about one-day EPDM training at:

<http://www.diy-flat-roof.com/flat-rubber-roofing-installation-guides/training/>

How to measure up your garage roofing and buy the correct quantities

It is critical that the measurements of the garage roof are accurate to make sure that an excess of materials is not purchased. This can often be a head-scratching time for inexperienced DIY garage roofers.

For easy DIY garage roofing, using EPDM rubber membrane, the systems are available in standard kit form, which includes everything needed.

Should the garage be non-standard, or have extrusions, there are tools available to help homeowners build a bespoke, tailored garage roof kit online.



If you are unsure about how to accurately measure a non-standard garage roof, stay on the ground and measure the external walls.



Multiply the length of the garage by the width to give you a good idea of the square meterage. Permaroof flat roofing suppliers are experienced enough to then assist you with the purchase of your materials.

DIY garage roofing can be easier to tackle than many homeowners realise. Choosing the right type of materials to suit your garage and your skillset is one of the most important aspects of planning your project.

Buy DIY garage roofing systems online in the Permaroof shop:

<https://www.permarooftstore.co.uk/roof-kits.html>



Permaroof UK Ltd offers industry-leading EPDM rubber roofing application training courses for trade flat roofers and DIY homeowners at our purpose-built training centre located at our headquarters in Derby.

Visit the main EPDM training page to find out more and to book your training course online at:

<http://www.permarroof.co.uk/epdm-roofing-training-course>

You can view a full video demonstration of the application of EPDM rubber online at:

<http://www.diy-flat-roof.com/epdm-roofing-videos/>

You can download a comprehensive installation guide and individual tutorials in the resources section of our site at:

<http://www.diy-flat-roof.com/diy-flat-roof-library>