



Roof Storm Damage Checklist

To schedule an inspection and get help with a damage assessment on your roof, reach out to a professional roofing contractor. Contractors know how to safely navigate a potentially damaged/dangerous roof, and many offer free inspections.

ROOF

Begin with a visual assessment of your roof. Walk around the perimeter of your home, looking for any visible damage. (Helpful hint: One of your windows may help give you a better vantage point of some parts of your roof.) Make note and take photos — which may help you if filing an insurance claim later — of any damage you see, such as dented, torn, curled or missing shingles.

□ GUTTERS, VENTS, WINDOWS

Check all your gutters and vents, as well as other roof accessories/overhangs, for dents. Inspect all your windows for cracks, broken glass, loose weather-stripping and torn screens.

Watch for leaks and water spots in your attic and on your ceilings (including inside light fixtures). Even if there's no visible exterior damage to your home after a storm, strong winds and hail can cause unseen damage that may lead to bigger issues later.

OUTSIDE AREAS

Fallen tree limbs, missing fence posts or damaged lawn furniture/other exterior decorations are a good indication that your roof may have also sustained damage from a storm. Check patios and decks for hail damage.

J HIRE A TRUSTED, PROFESSIONALLY LICENSED ROOFING CONTRACTOR

Roofing and other repair companies are typically swamped after a storm, which means some may offer big discounts or deals to try to compete for your business. Rule of thumb: If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. Do your research before hiring a roofing contractor to make sure they are reputable and trustworthy. Find a trustworthy place to start, like: AtlasRoofing.com/find-a-contractor

CALL YOUR HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE PROVIDER

To properly file a claim based on homeowners insurance requirements, be sure to call your provider as soon as possible after a storm.

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