



ROOF STORM DAMAGE CHECKLIST

Contact a trusted, [professional roofing contractor](#) to schedule an inspection and help you with damage assessment. Many contractors offer free inspections and will know how to safely look for roof damage.

ROOF

Visually assess your roof by walking around the perimeter of your house and taking note of any visible [storm damage](#). You might also have a good view of parts of your roof from one of your windows. Keep a list of notes and/or take pictures – this can potentially be helpful later for insurance purposes. Any visible signs of storm damage should be documented, such as dented, torn, curled, or missing shingles.

GUTTERS, VENTS, AND WINDOWS

Check for dents on your home's gutters and roofing accessories, such as gable vents and other overhangs. Windows should be inspected for cracks, broken glass, loose weather-stripping, and torn screens.

OUTSIDE AREAS

Walk around your home's exterior and look for fallen tree limbs, missing fence posts, or damage to lawn furniture and other decorations. Flat surfaces, such as patios and decks, can be checked for [hail damage](#).

ATTIC AND CEILINGS

Observe these areas for [leaks](#) and water spots. While your home's roof might appear undamaged on the exterior, [wind](#) and hail can cause unseen leaks that may lead to bigger problems later. Ceilings, light fixtures, and your attic should all be inspected for water leaks and spots. Use a flashlight to see in dark areas.

HIRE A DEPENDABLE, TRUSTED ROOFING CONTRACTOR

It's important to work with a contractor you can trust. Roofers and repair companies are likely to be busy after a large regional storm and may try to compete for your business by offering discounts or deals. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. A good place to start your research is with independent roofing contractors with [Preferred or Platinum Preferred](#) membership level in the Owens Corning Roofing Contractor Network.

A good roofing contractor can:

- Assess your damage with a professional eye
- Provide an estimate on repair costs
- Replace or repair your roof

CALL YOUR HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE PROVIDER

It's essential to involve your homeowners insurance provider right away so you can properly file a claim based on their requirements.

NOT SURE WHAT TO ASK A ROOFING CONTRACTOR?

Use our [Contractor Checklist](#) to help guide your conversation.