



Roofing Disasters and How to Avoid Them

Your home's roof is your first line of defense against nature's elements, including high winds, heavy rain, sleet and snow. A complete inspection – inside and out – each spring can help prevent costly problems later. Watch for these important danger signs that your roof is not adequately protecting your home:

- Water, water, everywhere? – A home inspection should begin with a check for leaks in the attic. These can occur after heavy rains and are the most obvious. Also, go through each room of the house and check walls and ceilings. Stains on the ceiling can be another warning sign that your roof needs repair. And peeling interior or exterior paint or wallpaper, sometimes due to excessive moisture or high humidity, can be a sign that your attic may be inadequately ventilated. If better ventilation is needed, it can be installed relatively easily and inexpensively – even if you don't need a new roof.

- Eliminate cracks – Common sources of exterior leakage include cracks in the flashing around the chimney and vents, as well as worn, rotted or missing shingles. Check your gutters for debris, including granules in the gutter. If you find an excessive amount of granules, this may indicate aging shingles that should be replaced. Also look for missing, cracked or curled shingles. These should be replaced quickly to avoid structural damage to the roof deck and interior of your home. Shingles that are blistered, rotted or "dirty" looking also need to be replaced.

If you notice any of these potential problems and need repairs, the first and most important step is to find a [competent roofing contractor](#).

According to GAF Materials Corporation, North America's largest roofing manufacturer, poorly installed or constructed roofing systems cost American homeowners billions of dollars each year. Fortunately, most risks can be avoided with a professional roofing system that is properly installed, maintained and/or repaired.

GAF provides access to a database of factory-certified, pre-qualified roofing contractors. Each company is licensed and insured and agrees to work on the homeowner's roof as if it were their own.

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