

Gutter Maintenance

February can be a volatile month when it comes to weather; the temperature fluctuates between freezing and pleasant, its often raining, and sometimes it even snows. It's not the ideal month for doing any sort of outdoor home maintenance, but it actually is a great time to go out and check your gutters for any damage before the spring rains set in.

Gutter Maintenance is Important

Gutter maintenance and repair can and should be done all year long, since weather changes throughout the year have their own unique ways of clogging them up. In winter, specifically, icicles and ice dams are the biggest dangers that homeowners have to face on their gutters. As picturesque as they may look, ice dams especially have the potential to crack, bend, or burst the gutters they are attached to if they are not dealt with before they grow too large.

Detritus from trees, such as leaves or pine needles could also have been blown into the gutters during storms, contributing to the creation of ice dams or icicles, or cause water from storms to back up onto the roof, rot wood siding, or create puddles dangerously close to the foundation rather than flow away from the house as the gutters are intended to ensure. As unpleasant as the idea of climbing around the roof on a February day is, water damage prevention to your home truly is worth it.

Gutter Protection

If you're tired of climbing onto a ladder in all weathers to clear out your gutters, there are products that can help keep your gutters clear throughout the year, such as the Leaf Relief® by Ply Gem that you can find on our website. It acts as a guard against leaves, twigs, and other debris clogging up your gutters and causing disastrous water damage to your property throughout the year.

If you are interested in having a gutter guard such as Leaf Relief® installed, or if you would like more information on gutter maintenance, feel free to visit our website for more details, or give us a call, and we'll be happy to assist you in any way we can.

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