

Roof Installation Check List

Do you suspect you need a roof replacement? Here is a checklist to determine whether or not you should consider it:

Your roof is between 18-22 years old.

long-term exposure to the elements can cause a lot of wear and tear on a roof. If yours is older than 18-22 years old, it's time to call a professional to conduct an inspection and get an opinion.

Your roof has algae.

Algae needs and maintains moisture, making it more likely for your roof decking to rot. You may need a total roof replacement, or to replace the shingles.

Your roof has granule loss.

Asphalt shingles are made of granules that are compressed together. If these granules begin to fall off of the shingles, they are no longer as effective as they once were.

Your roof is sagging.

Excessive water damage can lead to sagging in your roof. If not taken care of quickly and correctly, your roof is at risk of collapse.

Discoloration in the attic.

When the decking experiences long-term exposure to moisture, it can begin to darken. You'll notice a lot of black and brown areas around your attic if this is occurring.

Mold and mildew growing in the attic.

If you step into your attic space and are hit with the stench of mildew and mold, it may be a sign that you need a new roof.

Your roof is delaminating.

Delamination is the process of your roof's decking becoming slick, not allowing anything (like shingles) to adhere properly to it. If a large portion of your roof has been affected, it may be more cost-effective to do a total roof replacement.

Cupping and curling shingles.

On an older, damaged roof, the shingles can begin curling and cupping. This is a sign that the shingles are in desperate need of repair as it affects their ability to prevent water from seeping through to your roof.

Hip and ridge caps are lifting.

Lifting can negatively impact the shingle's ability to protect your home from water damage. If the hip and ridge caps have been lifting for a long time, it might be time to call in an expert to see how extensive the water damage is.

Roof leaking issues.

If you notice massive leaking issues, along with several other things we've mentioned here, it may be time to buy a new roof instead of spending tons of money on repairs.