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## 10 Tips to Help Reduce Wind Damage to Your Home or Business

Heavy winds from hurricanes, tornadoes, or other storms can cause significant and costly damage to your home, business, and other property. Here are a few reminders to help reduce the risk of wind-related damages!



Inspect your roof regularly Seek out a licensed roofing professional to evaluate the condition and integrity of your roof. You may already be in need of repair even before the high winds arrive!
Maintain roof flashing and siding  Water and rain can seep into areas where there may be loose siding or shingles. Wind wi also worsen any cracks leaving more exposure for water damage.
Secure rooftop equipment  Use anchored straps and cables to secure satellite dishes, lights, solar panels, and any other item that could become flying projectiles.
Clear debris around your property  Loose objects such as tools, equipment, and even children's toys can become susceptible to strong winds and cause devastation to properties.
Bring outdoor furniture indoors (if able)  Consider bringing these items into a garage, storage shed, or tether to the house to prevent them from blowing away.
Secure your home or business  Close and lock windows, loading docks, and garage doors to help prevent wind uplift.
Prepare your vehicle(s)  Park your car away from trees or overhanging tree branches. The ideal space is in a garage or under cover.
Create an emergency plan  Keep emergency alerts active on your phones. Have a discussion with family and employees regarding evacuation procedures. Create a disaster kit with enough food, water, and first aid supplies to last a few days.