

Are You Ready?

Hailstorms can cause significant damage to your home and property.



Be prepared.

Make sure your home and family are ready for a hailstorm before it hits. Consider these tips ahead of the upcoming hail season.



Talk to your insurer.

Is your policy up to date? A conversation with your insurer or insurance professional can ensure your home and property are protected.



Get your home evaluated.

The Institute for Catastrophic Loss Reduction (ICLR) recommends hiring a building inspector to evaluate your home for its ability to withstand hail and other hazards.



It's important that homeowners pay attention to:

- Roofing
- Siding
- Skylights, windows and doors.

These and other areas of your home can be vulnerable to damage from a hailstorm. These areas in particular should be examined for their ability to withstand hail. If your shingles and siding are old and in need of repair or replacement, we strongly urge you to consider replacing or upgrading them with materials that can withstand hail. If your home has existing unrepaired hail damage, it may affect your insurance coverage.



Cover your vehicle.

Damage to vehicles from hail can be costly. Protecting your automobile starts before the hail falls. The most effective way to protect your vehicle is to keep it in a carport or garage. If a temporary or permanent shelter isn't available, another option is to purchase a "hail resistant" custom car cover, similar to what is used to cover classic cars when they aren't in use.



Want to learn more about how to protect your home and property from hail?

Visit:

www.abc.ca/hail

www.hail-smart.com

www.calgary.ca/csps/cema/types-of-emergencies/what-to-do-during-a-hail-storm.html