

Fall Preventative Maintenance Tips for Your Roof | Oct 2022

Daylight hours are shortening as fall is upon us! This is a critical time for most roofs. Many roofs have been exposed to a lot of heat and UV rays over the past few months, and they're about to be subjected to cold weather, temperature shifts, freezing rain, and snow (depending on where you live).

Small roofing problems can become large, expensive issues. Roof maintenance programs help prevent premature deterioration and keeps your roof in top working order. By performing regularly scheduled inspections and maintenance, trained roofing technicians can uncover problems and take corrective action early to prevent costly emergency repairs.

To ensure your roof has the longest lifespan possible, follow these roof maintenance tips for fall:

1 – Trim Back Your Trees

As the leaves begin to fall around your building, you will see branches on your trees that are getting a little too close. Trim those back now so they do not danger your roofing later. If you can do this early in the fall, you can also minimize the leaves that clog your guttering system.

2 – Remove debris

Remove garbage, leaves, tree limbs and loose pieces of debris from the roof. Sweep and clean as needed.

3 – Clean Your Gutters and Drains

Clean gutters and drains are needed to keep water flowing properly off your roof. Clogged drains lead to water ponding on roofs, which can lead to cracking, mold, and other damage. Clean out your drains before the leaves fall and keep an eye on them throughout the season.

4 – Get A Pre-Winter Roof Inspection

It's always a good idea to have someone look at your building's roof before winter so you can fix immediate problems. It is much easier to repair a roof in the fall when there is no snow or ice to worry about. If you wait too long, you will have a much bigger problem on your hands.

5 – Invest In Roof Repairs As Needed

If your roof inspector indicates that you need repair work on a certain part of your roof, take care of these repairs now before it's too late. Small problems in the fall can turn into huge problems in the winter, so it is always best to enter the cold season with a strong, sturdy roof. If you maintain your roof properly throughout the year, you may not have to worry about excessive repair costs.

Trained roofing technicians can uncover problems and take corrective action early to prevent costly emergency repairs. After all, you need to ensure your roof can protect any assets, tenants, or employees you have located in your building.

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