

ROOFING GUIDE

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Finding a Roofing Contractor

- How to Find a Roofing Contractor
- Questions you Should Ask
- How Much Does a Roof Cost
- What to do if You Have Storm Damage

So You Need a New Roof...

It happens to all of us you walk out one day and say to yourself "I need to get this done." But if you are like most people you don't know where to start. That's why this guide was created. To help you figure out:

- How to Find a Contractor
- What Questions You Should Ask
- How Much Will My New Roof Cost
- What to do if You Have Storm Damage



How to Locate a Roofing Contractor

Start with a web search on one of the main search engines www.google.com,

www.yahoo.com, or www.bing.com.

I like to use Google because it is the largest search engine of the three. This is the easiest way to find a roof contractor that will service your area. One important tip I can give you is **keep your search local**. For example if I live in Bloomington I would enter "Roof Contractor Bloomington". The reason why this is important is if you are getting quotes from a company that's across town they will most likely charge you a trip fee and you could end up paying too much for your new roof.

Next make a list of the companies you would like to do business with that service your area. Give them a call and ask the questions you will find in the next section. This should get you well on your way to finding a roofing contractor.

Quick wrap up:

- Use www.yahoo.com, www.bing.com, or www.google.com
- Keep your search local (EX: roof contractor YOUR CITY)
- Make a list of companies who service your area and call them.

What Questions Should I Ask When I am Talking to Contractors ?

I want to break this down into 2 sections pre-appointment questions and appointment questions. The reason why is you don't want to waste your time having contractors come out to your house if they are not a good fit from the beginning.



Pre-Appointment Questions

Pre-appointment questions are questions that you are going to ask the roof contractor on the phone before you take the time to have an estimator come out and look at the proposed site. These include:

- Do you provide free estimates?
- Will that estimate be in writing?
- Is your company licensed?
- Is your company bonded and insured?
- How many years have you been in business?
- Do you provide a warranty?

Appointment Questions

These are questions you will want to ask the estimator who comes to look at the proposed work.

- Is there anything that makes my project unique?
- Where will the water go when it runs off my roof?
- What type of materials will be used?
- What is the square footage of the project?
- How much demolition/tear off will need to take place?
- Can I get a detailed report of the work?

Please write these questions down so you can compare and contrast each of the contractors you meet with. It is very important if you are getting multiple quotes to make sure you are comparing apples to apples. Keep in mind when you are asking these questions be confident it will go a long way in ensuring that you are getting the best deal possible.



How Much Does a Roof Cost?



Price is determined on the following variables:

- Square Footage-** Larger projects tend to be more expensive
- The Type of Materials-** Materials have different prices... One of our specialist can recommend the best materials for the price
- Style of Roof-** If a roof has a steep pitch or dormers the price can be adjusted due to the difficulty of the project
- Age of the Home-** Older homes will sometimes uncover past problems that were never fixed correctly.

Each roof is unique and has its own challenges so its impossible to give a cookie cutter answer. But what I can do for you is send out one of our professionals to take a look at your project. They can provide a no cost no obligation estimate outlining each of the variables listed above. **To have your project estimated please call 612-246-3332.**

What To Do if You Have Storm Damage

When your home is damaged by a storm it can be both frustrating and confusing. On one hand a storm could come through your neighborhood and you might not have the slightest idea that your home was damaged. On the other hand if the storm was severe enough you can be inundated with fly by night roofing companies trying to grab your business before you can do research (these tend to be people knocking on your door, using high pressure sales tactics to strong arm you into doing business with them). Either way you will want a professional who represents a credible company to come out and take a look at your house. This is extremely important because storm damage is rarely cut and dry, sometimes the damage can be tough to see if your eye is not trained for it. If there is damage, even if it is not visible at first glance, it can lead to major problems in the future.

To help you navigate through the frustration I have laid out the storm damage process step by step so you know what to expect.

- Call a contractor, preferably us at 612-246-3332, to come out and take a look at the roof. We do this free of charge.*
- Once we are at your house our friendly experienced representative will take the time to scan the property to see if there is any damage.*
- If he/she notices any damage then its time to file a claim and we will walk you through the process right on our website.*
- Once a claim number is issued our representative will take the time to set an appointment with the claims adjuster to go over the damage and what will need to be included into the project.*
- If the project is approved our representative will come back out to the home to go over the details of the project with the homeowner(s).*
- Once a check is sent out from the insurance company it will most likely need to be signed by both the home owner and the mortgage company if there is a lien on the property.*
- Once the check is signed by both parties it can now be sent to the contractor and your project can be put on the schedule.*
- Once the project is complete our representative will walk through with you to make sure the work meets your satisfaction.*
- Thats it!!!!*

*I hope you found the information in this packet useful. Please remember I am available to answer any questions that you might have in regards to your Roof. **I can be reached at 612-246-3332.** Our service area includes but is not limited to Minnesota. If you don't live in this area still feel free to call. I will field all calls and make the proper recommendations to help you with your needs.*