

Storm Damage Inspection Checklist

A homeowner's guide to spotting roof & siding damage after a Maryland storm

After every major wind or hail event, damage often hides in plain sight. Use this checklist to do a safe, ground-level inspection of your home. **Never climb on your roof** — that's what we're here for. If you spot any of these signs, call Force for a free professional inspection.

Check Your Roof (from the ground)

- **Missing shingles** — bare spots or gaps in the shingle pattern.
- **Lifted, curled, or creased shingles** — a classic sign of wind damage.
- **Shingle granules in gutters or downspouts** — looks like coarse black sand; a sign of hail or aging.
- **Dented or bruised shingles** — soft spots or dark marks from hail impact.
- **Damaged or missing flashing** around chimneys, skylights, and valleys.
- **Sagging or uneven roof lines** — possible structural or moisture issue.
- **Debris or fallen branches** resting on the roof surface.

Check Your Siding & Gutters

- **Cracked, chipped, or holed siding** — especially on the storm-facing side.
- **Dents in gutters, downspouts, or metal fascia** — hail leaves telltale dimples.
- **Loose or detached gutters** pulling away from the home.
- **Faded or discolored patches** where the finish was struck.

Check Inside Your Home

- **Water stains** on ceilings or walls — brown rings or spreading marks.
- **Damp spots or drips** in the attic after rain.
- **Daylight visible** through the roof boards in the attic.
- **Peeling paint or wallpaper** near the ceiling line.

Found one or more of these? Don't wait.

Storm damage worsens with every rain, and most insurance policies have a limited window to file a claim. Force Roofing & Siding provides **free, no-obligation inspections** with professional documentation you can use for your insurance claim. We're a licensed Maryland contractor — not a public adjuster — so we handle the craftsmanship and documentation while you work directly with your carrier.

Call or text (443) 838-3796 to schedule your free inspection.