



# Hail

## How to reduce potential damage

A hail storm can be a sudden and nasty surprise – and can cause serious damage to your roof and windows. The size of the hail stones can vary greatly, as can the damage, if there is any at all.



- In order to prevent damage by hail and wind, an annual roof inspection is very important, paying close attention to roofing and replacing broken or cracked tiles.
- Also, clean your gutters and drain pipes so water can flow off easily and doesn't get trapped. This could lead to pipes cracking or bursting during cold spells.
- After a hail storm, you should check all the roof tiles are in good shape and have not been damaged or dented by hail stones.
- Also check your gutters and walls.

However, climbing onto a roof can be very dangerous, so please call an expert who can do this for you.

The damage hail can do can take different shapes. They can cause holes and leaks, which, either immediately or over time, can damage the walls and contents of your property or leave water stains on your ceiling. Leaks can go unnoticed if you don't check your roof and lead to unwanted moisture causing mold and mildew.

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