# **Storm Damaged Shingles**

## (Act OF Nature)

Are damage to shingles caused by extraordinary weather conditions such as that exceed the maximum wind speed limitation in the applicable limited warranty (if any), hail, tornadoes, lightning, microburst's, or cold-weather related damages covered by my manufactory warranty? **NO** Shingle companies will not cover storm damage.

Weather related damages as described above are specifically excluded from coverage damage may be immediately noticeable, or can be latent damage in which case evidence of any damage may not be apparent for years. This latent damage caused by severe weather or flying debris may cause the shingles to deteriorate prematurely.

#### What If I have Granule Loss Concerns?

Loss of mineral granules as an immediate or gradual consequence of storm damage exposes the asphalt coating directly to the environment. This granule loss may result in the accelerated aging and the premature deterioration of the shingles. Any shingle failures caused by granule loss from storm damage, immediate or as a result of latent damage,

### Is there anything Else to Be Aware Of? "

Tarped Roofs": As immediately effective as tarping a damaged roof is to protect the building, securing the tarp by nailing through the shingles damages the shingles. Shingles that were nailed through must be replaced; caulking these nail holes is not a permanent repair

#### Can Several Individual Shingles Be Replaced Or Should The Entire Roof Be Replaced?

While it is possible to replace individual storm damaged shingles, latent damage to the surrounding shingles caused by a storm is difficult to assess. If the damage is confined to one plane of the roof, replacement of just the damaged roof plane may be possible. If individual shingles are being replaced, any nails that were removed from surrounding shingles must be replaced and the surrounding shingles must be resealed by hand to ensure a weather-tight roofing system. If sealant bonds have been broken due to exposure to extraordinary winds or during replacement and have sustained no other damage, we recommend hand-sealing of the shingles. Hand-sealing will help to ensure adequate sealing of the shingles rather than depending on the shingles to reseal themselves.

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