



Wind Protection

Abstract

This article describes wind damage prevention techniques that are intended for residential customers to review when creating a proactive remediation plan. This document also outlines restoration steps when a loss has been incurred.

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Wind damage can be as unexpected as any other property-damaging event. When trees are blown over onto your property or structure, Northern Colorado Restoration will have emergency crews dispatched immediately to remove the fallen item, cut it up and remove debris. Any broken windows or roof penetration will be boarded up, covered and replaced replaced or rebuilt as soon as weather permits. **Northern Colorado Restoration will:**

- Asses the damage and take immediate steps to prevent further damage
- Establish the scope of damage and determine the potential for successful restoration.
- Identify and prioritize the appropriate restoration procedures to reduce interruption in your home or business.
- Provide a cost estimate and time projection
- Implement specific restoration procedures such as: (move debris, cover roof etc..)
- Provide consulting and/or project management

Hurricanes, Tornado and Wind Shears Prevention Tips:

Hurricanes, Tornados and Wind Shears have created problems to be solved at Northern Colorado Restoration for over twenty-five years. You can count on the professionals crews of NCR to rebuild your home or facility to like-new condition. Here are a few preventive tips to help you with.

- **Place indoors nay loose outside objects such as garbage cans, yard tools, toys and patio furniture.** The objects can become dangerous projectiles during heavy winds that can damage your home and injure your family. Encourage your neighbors to do the same.
- **Replace gravel/rock landscaping material with shredded bark.**
- **Keep trees and shrubbery trimmed.** Cut weak branches and trees that could fall or bump against the house. When trimming try to create a channel through the foliage to the center of the tree to allow for airflow.
- **Protect windows from wind-driven objects and high-wind pressure with shutters and/or tape.** Plywood shutters securely fastened over the window openings prevent flying debris from breaking windowpanes, which can lead to catastrophic damage.
- **Reinforce entry doors.** If your doors are solid wood or hollow metal they probably can resist wind pressure and hurricane debris. To reinforce your doors install heavy-duty foot and head bolts to double-entry doors and use a security dead bolt lock with one-inch thick minimum bolt throw length. Also, make sure your door have at leas three hinges.

- **Inventory your possessions.** Take pictures and make a list of all your possessions or your property. Store it and other important papers in a high place in a waterproof container or in a safe deposit box.
- **Make sure your portable radio is working.** If the telephone and cable television lines are damaged this may be your only link to important weather-related information. Keep the radio tuned to a weather or news station for the latest information.
- **Stock a generous supply of drinking water, extra canned goods and nonperishable foods.**
- **If you own a boat, move it to a safe place or at least strengthen the mooring lines.**