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3 Tips for a Safe Roof Repair or Replacement

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(NU) - Defending against the elements, a home's roof helps protect against water infiltration that could threaten structural integrity and lead to mold or indoor air-quality issues. Timely roof repair or replacement is essential to protecting the home and its occupants. The following tips can help homeowners safely repair or replace a damaged roof:

1. Look for "No-Contact"

Service Offerings

The global pandemic has heightened awareness of safety and social distancing, leading to many "no-contact" sales and service options. For example, a "No-Contact Service" badge indicates that members of the Owens Corning Roofing Contractor Network (OCCN) can work with the homeowner remotely.

OCCN members offer digital tools to support shingle selection, generate estimates, secure financing and even sign a contract digitally. Drone inspections eliminate the need for a contractor to walk the roof.

2. Consider material performance

Performance and safety are complementary. Technologies such as the Build Your Roof 3-D digital roof experience educate homeowners about the critical layers of the roof and key components of the Total Protection Roofing System*.

To perform against wind and water infiltration, a shingle must be installed properly. Nailing zone performance is essential to shingles staying in place on the roof deck. Owens Corning architectural shingles have demonstrated higher

nailing zone performance compared to competitors' shingles, including outstanding resistance against high winds and protection against water infiltration.

Compared to shingles with single-layer nailing zones, Owens Corning Oakridge Shingles feature a double layer of protection in the nailing zone to hold shingles in place. And Duration Series Shingles include patented SureNail Technology with Triple Layer Protection in the nailing zone, offering a new category of performance.

Materials underneath matter too. Compared to felt paper, synthetic underlayment is tougher, resists tearing, repels water and delivers a higher level of weather-resistant protection. Learn more at switchtosynthetic.com.

3. Style with Safety in Mind

A home's roof is an opportunity to boost curb appeal. Owens Corning architectural shingles come in a variety of colors supported with digital design tools. The Design & Inspire resource features a range of shingle style boards. Homeowners can "try on" a roof using the Design EyeQ roof visualizer tool, upload a photo of their home, or select from shingle styles and colors to coordinate exterior décor.

When it comes to home improvements and safety, the roof is a great place to start. And as the tips above illustrate, home improvements can be made safely and with minimal or no contact.

*Excludes non-Owens Corning roofing products such as flashing, fastener, pipe boots and wood decking.

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