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What To Do After The Storm Has Passed



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At Strong Life Guttering Company Melbourne, we see enough Storm Damaged roofs to know your home's roofing is particularly vulnerable to strong winds. Lifted roofing material, tree branches and other debris crashing down, and gutters coming off houses, can be reasonably common during Melbourne's storms. After an exceptionally violent storm, your roof could require new gutters, or even a full roof replacement from Strong Life Guttering Company Melbourne.

We've already given you Handy Hints To Help Protect Your Property, Roof and Guttering before Melbourne's winter storms move across your area, both [Outside](#) and [Inside](#). But now it's time to list some tips about what to do after a storm has passed through, from people who know about roofs - Strong Life Guttering Company Melbourne. .

Of course this information is only meant to be a general guide, and, like we always say, if you're not a very competent home handyman, please call in professionals. Home maintenance can be risky for people who don't know what they're doing, so be aware of identifying any dangers that the storm might have caused.

Hint one

If you have a smartphone, computer or tablet, fully charged, you should be monitoring the passage of the storm on the [Bureau Of Meteorology](#) radar site. Wait inside the safety of your home until you know that the storm has passed.

Hint two

If the power is still on, keep away from the fuse box, or anything electrical, especially if you think it might have had water seeping near or inside it.

Hint three

When it is safe to go outside, you will need to inspect your home for any damage. Watch for broken window glass, bits of debris and anything else that could have been blown about by the storm.

Hint four

Fallen power lines can cause fatalities if they are live – make sure you avoid them, especially if you are outside at night! And report any fallen lines; [Energy Safe Victoria](#) suggests calling your local electrical company, or if lives are at risk, ring

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Hint five

[WorkSafe Queensland](#) reminds people who have Solar Energy Cells on their roof,

- to be especially careful around solar panels and wiring
- don't turn it off
- and if your solar system isn't working, have an electrical contractor check it before it's recommissioned.

Hint six

It is very important to make sure your roof and guttering don't have any areas that have been damaged enough to let rain into the roof cavity. Water inside your roof can pool, and create massive problems for your ceiling, foundations, walls, house contents and furnishings, in a very short time. You need to keep it dry.

Strong Life Guttering Company Melbourne recommends tarping any damage that could allow water seepage; again, **do not attempt this on your own, especially if you're not an extremely experienced tradesman, or if you are over 50 years and should never be climbing a ladder.**

- For storm and flood emergency assistance call the SES on 132 500,
- if the damage doesn't demand immediate attention call the VIC SES Flood & Storm Information Line
- or for general information on storms and floods 1300 VIC SES or 1300 842 737.

Here at Strong Life Guttering Company Melbourne, our tradesmen have seen quite a few Melbourne roofs that have been severely damaged by rain, hail, fallen branches, or strong winds. And many that have required a full roof and guttering replacement.

Hint seven

Make sure you take photos of any damage caused by storms, so you can make an insurance claim. And its actually good practice to take a photo of your roofing before any damage happens as well.

Hint eight

Contact your trusted local tradesmen to carry out any,

- electrical checks or wiring replacements
- building that needs repairs
- plumbing replacements
- or yard maintenance that needs carrying out.

Hint nine

Don't be tempted to go for a drive to see what other damage has occurred. Not only could this put you in danger from falling trees, flooding water or fallen debris - you could be the dill that clogs up the road and stops emergency service vehicles from getting to someone else who does need support.

Hint ten

Call your insurer and find out the process you need to follow to register a claim.

Strong Life Guttering Company Melbourne, recommends downloading The City Of Port Phillip's amazing Weather Emergencies Toolkit for more information - click [here](#).

Of course, if you think that your roof and guttering has suffered severe storm damage and might need a full restoration, don't hesitate to [contact](#) Strong Life Guttering Company Melbourne. For any more information about our services, or to arrange a free quote or inspection from one of our team of experts, phone **Strong Life (03) 9310 4455**, **enquire online**, **use our live chat service on our website** or simply **[email](#)** us.