



Complete Guide to Maintaining Asphalt Shingle Roofs in Canada





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It's the silent hero protecting your home from the harsh Canadian weather. This guide was created to help you understand how to take care of your asphalt shingle roof.

Regular maintenance not only extends the lifespan of your roof but also saves you money in the long run by preventing major damage. Whether you're a homeowner or a renter, this guide will provide you with all the tips you need. Let's get started!

Understanding Asphalt Shingles

What are Asphalt Shingles?

Asphalt shingles are one of the most popular roofing materials in North America, especially in Canada. They are made of a fibreglass or organic base saturated with asphalt and coated with mineral granules that provide additional protection and colour. Simple and effective, right?



Advantages of Asphalt Shingles

Durability: Asphalt shingles are tough and can withstand extreme weather conditions.

Cost-Effective: They are an economical option that offers great value.

Easy Installation: They are easy and quick to install, which also helps reduce costs.





Asphalt Shingles in the Canadian Climate

The Canadian climate can be quite unpredictable. Asphalt shingles are designed to withstand everything from hot summers to harsh winters with snow and ice. However, this climate can cause wear and tear over time, making regular maintenance essential. That's where we at Peak Star Roofing come in!



Importance of Regular Maintenance



Preventing Major Damage

Keeping up with regular roof maintenance helps identify and fix small issues before they become big problems. This includes repairing loose or cracked shingles that can let water in and cause significant damage. Our team at Peak Star Roofing specializes in identifying and fixing these problems before they get worse.



Extending the Lifespan of Your Roof

With proper maintenance, your roof can last 20 to 30 years! Without maintenance, this period can be drastically reduced to just 10 to 15 years. With our services, you can ensure that your roof lasts as long as possible.



Long-Term Savings

Regular maintenance might seem like a cost now, but it saves you a lot of money in the future by preventing expensive repairs and the need for premature roof replacement. We offer affordable maintenance plans to help prevent bigger issues down the road.

Key Problems and Warning Signs



Signs of Wear and Tear

Look out for cracked, curled, or missing shingles and granules accumulating in the gutters. These are signs that your roof is starting to deteriorate. Regular inspections are crucial to detect these signs early.



Sealing Issues

Check the sealing around chimneys, skylights, and other roof penetrations. Cracked or worn sealants can lead to leaks. Our team can inspect and repair these critical areas to prevent water infiltration.



Climate Impacts

The Canadian climate can be tough on your roof. Ice can form on the roof edges, causing ice dams that block water flow and can lead to leaks. We offer solutions to protect your roof from extreme weather effects.



Steps for Preventive Maintenance



Regular Visual Inspections

Do visual inspections of your roof monthly and after major storms. Use binoculars to inspect the roof without having to climb up, which can be dangerous. Better yet, leave it to us! Peak Star Roofing can perform detailed and safe inspections for you.



Roof Cleaning

Remove debris, leaves, and moss that can retain moisture and cause deterioration. Keep the gutters clean to ensure proper water flow. We recommend professional roof cleaning to ensure everything is done correctly and safely.



Simple Repairs

Learn to replace damaged shingles and seal small cracks with roof sealant. This can prevent minor issues from becoming major repairs. We can teach you repair techniques or perform these services for you.



Professional Maintenance

For annual inspections and major repairs, hire a qualified professional. They have the knowledge and equipment needed for safe and effective maintenance. We at Peak Star Roofing are ready to help with all aspects of your roof maintenance.

Seasonal Maintenance



Spring and Summer

Prepare for rain and intense heat. Check and repair any winter damage and clean accumulated debris from the roof. We are here to help prepare your roof for the warmer seasons.



Autumn

Prepare the roof for winter by removing leaves and checking the sealing. Clean the gutters to prevent ice dams. We recommend a detailed inspection in the autumn to ensure your roof is ready to face the winter.



Winter

During winter, avoid accumulating snow and ice on the roof. Use specific shovels and de-icing products to keep the roof clear. We offer specialized services to deal with the challenges of the Canadian winter.

Roof Maintenance Checklist

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Keeping your roof in good condition is essential to protecting your home and saving money in the long run. Use this checklist to ensure you are properly taking care of your asphalt shingle roof.

Visual Inspection

- ☐ Check for cracked, curled, or missing shingles.
- ☐ Look for granule build-up in the gutters.
- ☐ Inspect the sealing around chimneys, skylights, and other penetrations.
- ☐ Check for signs of moss, mould, or algae.

Roof Cleaning

- ☐ Remove debris, leaves, and branches.
- ☐ Clean the gutters and downspouts.
- ☐ Remove any moss or algae growing on the shingles.

Winter Preparation

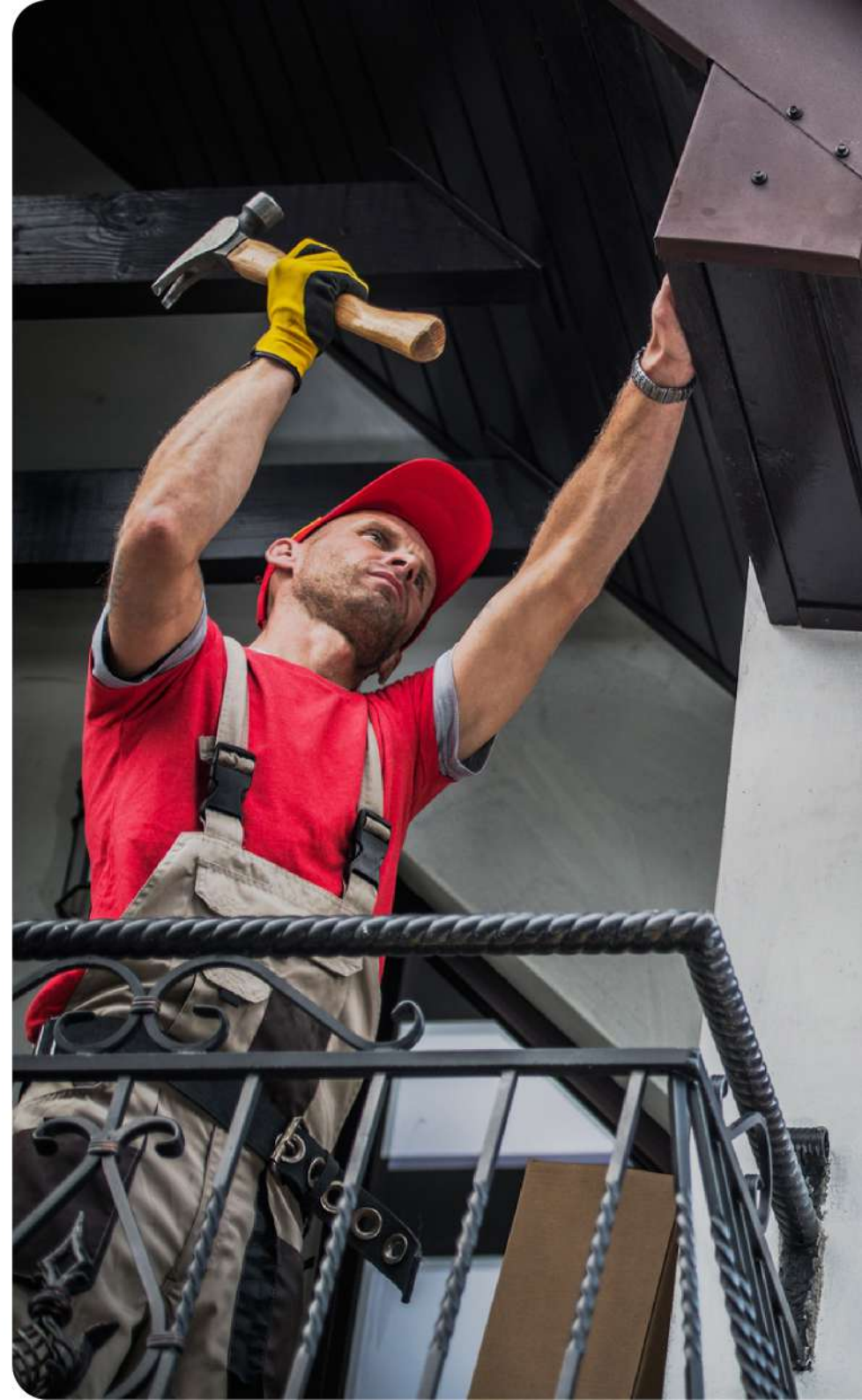
- ☐ Check the sealing of shingles and make repairs if necessary.
- ☐ Clean the gutters to prevent ice dams.
- ☐ Inspect the integrity of the shingles after snow or ice storms.

Simple Repairs

- ☐ Replace damaged or missing shingles.
- ☐ Apply sealant to small cracks or leaks.

Professional Maintenance

For a detailed evaluation and professional maintenance services, it's always a good idea to rely on experts. Peak Star Roofing offers free evaluations to help ensure your roof is in excellent condition.



Request a Free Evaluation

Peak Star Roofing, with specialist Andrew Belliveau, is ready to help with all aspects of your roof maintenance. If you've identified any problems or just want to ensure your roof is in great condition, request a free evaluation today!

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Don't wait until small problems become big ones. Contact Peak Star Roofing for a free evaluation and keep your roof safe and efficient!

Maintaining your asphalt shingle roof in good condition is essential to ensuring the safety and comfort of your home, especially in the harsh Canadian climate. Regular maintenance can extend the lifespan of your roof from 10-15 years to 20-30 years, saving money and avoiding headaches. Use the provided checklist to keep your roof in excellent shape and don't hesitate to seek professional help. Peak Star Roofing, with Andrew Belliveau, is here to offer expert support and ensure your roof is always in perfect condition.

Request your **free evaluation today** and ensure the longevity and safety of your roof!





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